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Pattullo Sworn In As Provincial Secretary After Sloan Resigns

Shuffle of Departments Necessitated by Sloan's Health; Premier Gratified Mines Minister Can Still Continue in Old Portfolio; Health Is Returning But Physician Warns Against Overwork

Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, was sworn in to-day as Provincial Secretary, in succession to Hon. William Sloan, who has resigned the portfolio.

Mr. Sloan will continue in Premier MacLean's Cabinet as Minister of Mines and Mr. Pattullo will retain the Lands Portfolio in addition to his new duties as Provincial Secretary.

No changes in the personnel of the Cabinet are thus involved in the transfer of portfolios announced this morning by the Premier.

ON DOCTOR'S ADVICE

Mr. Sloan's resignation of the Provincial Secretary's portfolio was taken on the advice of his physicians. For some months he has been steadily but surely fighting his way back to normal health, and his doctor wishes him to undertake nothing that will in any way deter his complete recovery.

In his letter of resignation addressed to Premier MacLean, Mr. Sloan says:

MUST NOT OVERWORK

"After consulting with my medical advisor with regard to my condition of health and the advisability or otherwise of my actively continuing supervision of the department, he has strongly advised me that in view of the satisfactory progress I am making towards recovery, that I should be extremely careful in not undertaking more work than is absolutely imperative, and it his opinion that I should be content to confine my duties to the portfolio of mines alone, at least for some considerable time.

"I regret very much indeed that such is my physician's advice but I am sure you will agree with me that it should not be ignored. I would, therefore, assure you that if you could see your way clear to relieve me of the duties of the portfolio of Provincial Secretary at an early date such action would be much appreciated by me.

"I desire especially to extend to you and to my other colleagues of the Government my sincere appreciation of the consideration and courtesy shown to me during the past few months while I was incapacitated."

Premier MacLean in commenting on Mr. Sloan's action said:

"Hon. Mr. Sloan has the longest political experience of any member of the Government, and I am certainly pleased to think that we can still continue to have the benefit of his service and advice."

LANDS MINISTER TO TAKE NEW PORTFOLIO

HON. T. D. PATTULLO

MORE CUSTOMS MEN AT SOME TOWNS SOON

Commission's Report Said to Suggest Changes at Canadian-U.S. Boundary

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—It is expected the Customs Inquiry Commission, in the report it will submit to Parliament shortly after the opening of the session, January 26, will suggest that the staffs of customs officers stationed at busy border points should be adequate to inspect carefully all parcels found on persons entering Canada from the United States.

Liquor smuggling bulked large during the customs inquiry, sessions of which were held in all the provinces. Consequently the commission is expected to have a number of recommendations to make with respect to it.

UNDERVALUATION OFFENCES

As to commercial smuggling, it is said the commission will recommend strenuous prosecution of such firms as were found to be engaged in deliberate undervaluation for the purpose of defrauding the revenue. More rigid inspection and careful valuation of imported goods by qualified appraisers also probably will be called for by the commissioners.

INTERESTING DOCUMENT

The report, it is said, will be one of the most interesting documents which has been presented to the Canadian Parliament for many years, and is expected to precipitate a lively discussion in the House.

The commission, composed of three judges, carried out, as instructed, an exhaustive investigation of the Department of Customs and Excise, now the Department of National Revenue.

TWO CANADIANS IN ASIA MINOR WERE MURDERED

Campbelltown, N.B., Dec. 30.—Following receipt of a cablegram from his sister in Syria stating his aged parents had been murdered on Christmas night, B. Hello, of this town, has cabled the offer of $5,000 reward for the capture of the person or persons who committed the crime. The message informing Mr. Hello of the tragedy was necessarily brief, with no further details of the affair.

Mr. Hello says his father was about eighty-five years old.

Two daughters, besides the one in Syria, survive their parents, and one son, John, at Jacquet River, N.B.

FIRE AT HOBOKEN DESTROYS LINER AND TWO LARGE WHARVES

Eight Barges Also Ruined; Loss at New Jersey Port Over $2,500,000

Disaster Caused by Explosion of Gasoline on Pier; One Fireman Injured

Hoboken, N.J., Dec. 30.—The Clyde liner Seneca, two 700-foot piers and eight barges were destroyed to-day by flames which swept two square blocks along the riverfront here. The loss is estimated at more than $2,500,000.

The Hudson River Line steamer Hendrik Hudson, her bow aflame, was towed to safety in midstream, where fireboats extinguished the blaze.

A pier of the Lackawanna Railroad was reduced to a total loss.

GASOLINE EXPLOSION

The fire started from an explosion of gasoline on a pier of the Fletcher Drydock Company, and spread quickly to the Lackawanna Pier, where the Seneca had been moored since last September. The vessel, valued at $2,000,000, was burned to the water's edge.

OFFICERS WENT DOWN ROPE

The Seneca, a 300-foot steamship, was transformed into an inferno. The captain and first mate escaped down a hand rope.

One fireman was slightly burned. No other casualties have been reported.

The Seneca plied between New York and Miami, with calls at Charleston, South Carolina, and other ports.

SEVERAL VESSELS BURNED

Fire has been a nemesis of the Clyde Line for years. Several of its best vessels have been burned in port or at sea.

DOUKHOBORS WANT RUSSIAN IN SCHOOLS

But Other Subjects in Alberta Not to be Curtailed, Says Minister

Edmonton, Dec. 30.—"The same rights will be given in Alberta in respect to the teaching of the Russian language in the public schools as in the case of other languages," said Hon. Perron Baker, Minister of Education to-day, "but there will be no special privileges. Provision is already made under the school laws of the province for the teaching of other languages than English if desired by the parents and ratepayers, but under certain regulations that require the full usual time for the prescribed school curriculum. Anything in the way of Russian language teaching in Alberta schools must therefore be additional to and not competitive with the regular English course work.

VERIGIN'S STATEMENT

Peter Verigin, head of the Doukhobors in Canada, in a statement in Winnipeg last night said he was negotiating with the Government of Alberta to have the Russian language put on the curriculum of the Doukhobor schools in the same manner as French had been placed in many Eastern schools. The education in English would be carried on as at present. The teaching of the Russian language, he stated, would keep alive the native traditions so cherished by his followers.

HOTHOUSE MEN SEEK INCLUSION IN MARKET LAW

Barrow Hears Island Plans; Black Here For Parley But No Announcement Yet

British Columbia marketing problems were discussed here to-day at a conference between Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, and F. M. Black, chairman of the interior committee of direction. At the conclusion of their talk Mr. Barrow said they had no statement to make yet on the Ashcroft potato situation, which has been the cause of difficulty in the last few weeks. Mr. Barrow indicated that he and Mr. Black would meet again shortly and that an announcement would be made later on their discussion.

Meanwhile Mr. Barrow and Mr. Black received a delegation of Vancouver Island hothouse tomato growers this morning to hear their suggestion that tomato growing here be placed under the new market control act. The delegation was composed of leading growers and representative of the hothouse industry of the entire Island.

After discussing this proposal with the Minister and Mr. Black the growers prepared to bring it before the industry generally at a series of public meetings. As an upshot of these discussions it is expected the hothouse men will formally seek inclusion in the marketing law. Oriental as well as white growers were included in the delegation which met Mr. Barrow and Mr. Black.

BLIZZARDS IN JAPAN CAUSE LOSS OF LIFE

Tokio, Dec. 30.—Blizzards, heavy snowfall and tempestuous seas have done great damage in the northwestern parts of Japan. Railroad traffic to-day was tied up. Many accidents were reported and it was feared there had been considerable loss of life.

Public Drinking To Stop With End Of 1927 at New Year Revels Here

Midnight Saturday will be zero hour for drinkers at New Year parties where special Liquor Board permits have been allowed, it was announced to-day.

All special licenses issued to cover the serving of liquor in public places will expire at that time, Liquor Board officials stated. They explained that in some public places, such as golf and yacht clubs and roadhouses, where private parties are to be held to celebrate the coming of the New Year, special permits have been issued to allow the serving of liquor to guests.

No sale of liquor, of course, will be allowed anywhere. The board will not issue such permits on Sundays. All those covering New Year festivities will expire with the year 1927, and drinking must stop then.

VICTORIA-BORN ORPHAN BOY, WHO BECAME MILLIONAIRE, ENRICHES SHELTER OF YOUTH

New York, Dec. 30 — Although Rube Fogel had diamonds aplenty in his old age, he never forgot the tears of his penniless boyhood.

One July day in 1873 a ragged boy went to the Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum and Home Society of San Francisco, seeking admission. He announced he was Rube Robert Fogel, ten, born in Victoria, B. C. His father and mother having died, he was left alone to starve. He was admitted to the asylum and cared for five years.

Then he went to work for one Greenzweig, a dealer in imitation jewelry, in San Francisco, who, after several years, sent the young man to Mexico as a salesman. A few years' traveling in that country and Fogel had practically cornered the Mexican imitation jewelry market. Later he returned to San Francisco.

At this time, 1895, having decided to start out on his own, Fogel came to New York and set up a business at No. 177 Broadway. It was a modest store, but with his clients in Mexico helping he soon prospered. Shrewd investments in securities and real estate began to pile up his wealth.

BOYHOOD HOME GETS $100,000

Mr. Fogel's will, drawn February 23, by him since 1911, has just been filed for probate with the Surrogate here.

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JAPANESE STEAMSHIP AND ALL CREW LOST

London, Dec. 30.—A Lloyds dispatch from Yokohama states the Japanese steamship Dainichizan Maru is reported to have been lost with all aboard during a snowstorm December 28 near Otabu.

The dispatch also reports two other steamers went ashore during the storm, the Haskata Maru No. 11 going ashore near Otabu yesterday and the Shofuku Maru ashore at Tsuchizaki, Akitkan, Wednesday.

Premier Bracken, Ill in Winnipeg, Recovers Strength

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—The condition of Hon. John Bracken, Premier of Manitoba, is much improved to-day, according to his physicians. The doctors stated that if the improvement in the Premier's condition should continue an operation for appendicitis, with which the Premier was stricken yesterday, would be unnecessary.

EX-PREMIER SUFFERS INDISPOSITION

SIR ROBERT BORDEN

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Sir Robert Borden, war-time Prime Minister of Canada, is ill at his home here. It is understood the illness is not serious.

CITY TO RETIRE BIG BOND ISSUE

Will Pay Off $1,000,000 of Six Per Cent Securities on March 1; To Use Accumulated $300,000 Cash in the Treasury and Issue Five Per Cent Bonds for $660,000

Victoria City will retire on March 1 an issue of $1,000,000 of six per cent ten-year notes, using for this purpose an accumulated fund of $300,000 and a new issue of $660,000 of five per cent serial bonds.

By this stroke of finance the ratepayers will yearly be saved about $22,000, the difference between the annual charges of about $70,000 on the issue to be retired and the requirements of the new issue, which will average about $48,000 annually.

Of the $1,000,000 issue to be retired, the city already has bought in and cancelled $26,000.

The financial details of this refunding are complicated by the fact that two issues of civic securities are involved in the deal. An issue of $1,000,000 of long term serial debentures proved unsaleable in 1918 save at a disastrous sacrifice, despite the fact that the interest provided was 5½ per cent.

The city therefore pledged the long term serial bonds as security for an issue of like amount, $1,000,000, of six per cent ten-year notes.

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INSANITY HICKMAN'S PLEA IN LOS ANGELES

Attorney Who Will Defend Murderer Indicates Line of Argument at Trial

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Jerome Walsh, Kansas City attorney, here to defend William Edward Hickman, confessed kidnapper and slayer of Marian Parker, to-day definitely indicated insanity would be the plea of the accused youth at his trial.

ATTORNEY SOUGHT

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 30.—George Hunt, fifty, father of Welby Hunt, was here to-day to enlist the aid of an attorney to defend his son, who was implicated by William E. Hickman in his confession of the robbery and slaying of a California druggist.

Hunt and the youth's mother, as did Hickman's parents, separated several years ago. The mothers of both boys live in Kansas City. The elder Hickman is a railroad crane operator at El Paso, Texas, while Hunt is employed at Seminole, Okla.

The fathers both declared they only wanted a square deal for their sons, and if they were guilty they should be punished. Neither planned to go to Los Angeles.

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LONDONERS ANXIOUS ABOUT FOOD SUPPLY IN SNOW BLOCKADE

Milk Shipments From Rural Areas Greatly Reduced; Vegetables Scarce

London, Dec. 30.—London grew anxious about its food supply to-day as snow fell again in some of the southwestern parts of England and the weather bureau sounded the warning that there was a possibility of a further general fall.

Vegetables are scarce. Dairy farmers in some districts were unable to send their milk to the city and poured hundreds of gallons away because of lack of transportation.

FOOD BY AEROPLANE

Should the predicted fall of snow occur, the plight of the rural districts would be most serious. Aeroplanes and armored tanks are being used in relief work since there is a lack of such appliances as snowploughs. Since big snowstorms in southern England are unusual, the means of combating them are not developed and this accounts for the prolonged tie-up of transportation. The present fall is said to be greater than any since 1881.

MUCH INCONVENIENCE

Reports from the rural districts to-day continued to tell of the difficulty of getting needed supplies. Inconvenience was general, although at no point

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RUM DEATHS IN WINNIPEG TOTAL ELEVEN

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—Another life was claimed in Winnipeg this afternoon by poison alcohol, bringing the total death list from this cause to eleven within four days.

The latest victim was a man believed to have been T. Steinberg, who died in a private hospital to-day.

During an investigation it was learned the man earlier in the week had been a resident of the Coronation Block, in the heart of Winnipeg's Chinatown. It was in his apartment the fatal wood alcohol and "canned heat" party was held last Tuesday. All eleven deaths have been directly traced to that carousal.

COMMISSION OF THREE TO RULE SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 30.—The appointments have been confirmed, of three commissioners to govern the city of Sydney, the former elected council being abolished.

This was made possible by the legislation introduced by the recently elected Nationalist-Country Party Government in the New South Wales Legislature.

The action was taken in view of the alleged corruption and extravagance of the former council, of which the majority were Laborites.

The municipality of Sydney, which has a population of 1,200,000, has since 1920 been controlled by councils in which the Lord Mayor and majority of aldermen were Laborites.

MACLEAN WILL GO TO OTTAWA; BROWNLEE OF ALBERTA IS SUMMONED

B.C. Premier to Discuss With Federal Government Matters Arising Out of the Interprovincial Conference; Prairie Government Leader Asked to Come to Ottawa to Negotiate Sale of Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia Railway

To discuss with members of the Federal Government matters considered at the recent interprovincial conference, Premier MacLean will leave here for Ottawa Saturday, it was announced to-day.

While the Premier was preparing to-day to hurry to the National Capital and return before the Legislature meets, it was announced in Edmonton that Premier Brownlee of Alberta, would go to Ottawa immediately to discuss railway problems of direct interest to British Columbia.

Dr. MacLean has received an intimation from Ottawa that several of the matters threshed out at the Interprovincial Conference are being considered by the Ottawa Cabinet with a view to action on them at the next session of the Canadian Parliament, opening in January. He explained that he was anxious to discuss some of the details of these matters with Federal Ministers concerned. His trip will be a short one, as he will return here before the middle of January in time for the opening of the Legislature on January 24.

RECEPTION CANCELLED

The Premier was non-commital as to the particular matters that he would discuss while in Ottawa.

The Ottawa trip is somewhat disconcerting to him at this time as his absence will preclude the holding of the anticipated New Year reception at the Parliament Buildings, and prevent his filling a number of speaking engagements.

ALBERTA QUESTIONS UP

Appointments have been tentatively made for conferences between Premier Brownlee of Alberta and Premier King in Ottawa next week. A number of questions between the two governments will be taken up at that time, but the chief point of discussion will be the natural resources situation. The Federal authorities are understood to be desirous of reaching a more satisfactory agreement with Alberta in regard to the appeal to the Privy Council in London on the education aspect of the case.

RESOURCES DISCUSSED

Mr. Brownlee's main purpose in going east at the present time, however, will be in connection with the northern railway situation, which he will meet the chief executives of both transcontinental railways. Hon. V. W. Smith, Minister of Railways, will accompany him for this purpose and the objective of their trip will be to negotiate for the sale of the Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia and allied lines.

It has not yet been definitely decided the Premier will make the trip, the loss of time, with a session of the Legislature pending a few weeks hence, being a strong argument for staying at home. If for this reason it is found impracticable to go East, it is likely conference with the railway heads will be held a little later in Winnipeg.

BOARD'S MAJORITY REPORT IS AGAINST HIGHER MINE WAGES

But Nanaimo Thirty-cent-a-day Bonus is Urged to Be Continued by Company

Minority Report on Arbitration Affecting Western Fuel Corporation, Nanaimo

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—A majority and a minority report of the board of conciliation engaged for the last two months in an effort to mediate in the dispute between the Western Fuel Corporation of Canada Ltd., Nanaimo, B.C., and its underground employees have been received by the Federal Minister of Labor.

The majority report, signed by Judge C. H. Barker of Nanaimo, chairman, and D. S. Wallbridge of Vancouver, the company's nominee, makes few recommendations.

BONUS QUESTION

The dispute centred on the demand of the miners for restoration of a sixty-cent bonus on each working day. Under a previous agreement the company had paid a ninety-cent bonus, it being condition that any increase or decrease in the bonus should be governed by competitive conditions. In June, 1923, the amount was cut to thirty cents.

There were other grievances which were raised before the board, dealing with operations.

COMPETITION GROWS

In its majority report, the board says that evidence having been given to show the competition encountered was very keen, that the use of fuel oil and diesel oil had cut largely into the use of Nanaimo coal for power purposes, that statistics showed the original output, if anything, was decreasing and that no dividends had been declared by the company since incorporation," the board does not find itself in a position to advise any rate of fixed wages higher than the present rate—that is, the base rate plus the thirty-cent bonus."

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Miss Lloyd George To Be Candidate In British Election

Lisbon, Dec. 30.—Miss Megan Lloyd George, who is visiting in Lisbon, en route to Brazil with her father, the former Premier of Great Britain, to-day said she expected to stand for Parliament at the next general election.

"I shall be elected member of Parliament for Carnarvon, where my father initiated his political career," she said.

Miss Lloyd George had frequently been asked by the Liberal Party to run for Parliament, but thus far had declined.

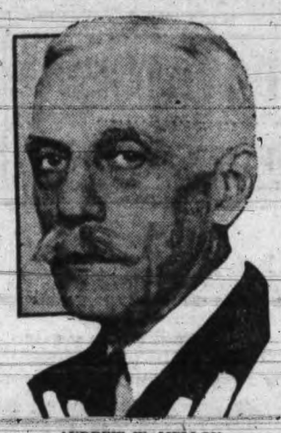
DECLARES EDUCATION IS THE ONLY WAY TO PUT END TO CRIME

CLARENCE S. DARROW

New York, Dec. 30.—Ninety per cent of the world's crime could be eliminated in a single generation if society cared enough about finding out how to do it, Clarence Darrow, noted criminal lawyer of Chicago, believes.

"Man's destiny," Mr. Darrow told the New York Rotary Club in an address yesterday, "is controlled by accident and circumstance alone. Environment and circumstance send men to prisons and criminals drift into crime as naturally as others drift into professions. Every child should be taught a way to make a living. Such a course would accomplish more than ever can be done by seeking to terrorize the community into virtue."

DECLARES HIMSELF OUT OF U.S. 1928 PRESIDENTIAL TILT



ANDREW W. MELLON

Secretary of the United States Treasury, who wishes all the people of the republic to know he will not be in the field for the Republican nomination for the presidency in 1928. When in Washington yesterday his attention was called to published reports that he was a candidate for nomination, Mr. Mellon said: "That is not true. I am not a candidate and I do not care to be."

NEW YORK LOSES BIG NIGHT CLUB

U.S. Prohibition Agents Cart Away $50,000 Worth of Furnishings From Building

New York, Dec. 30. — Chez Helen Morgan, one of New York's most gorgeous night clubs, now stands dismantled as a result of a raid by Federal prohibition agents early to-day in which they arrested Miss Morgan and eight male employees, seized a dozen bottles of liquor and spent two and half hours questioning 350 guests.

Guests at the club were required to give the agents their names and addresses, after which they were permitted to depart.

RELEASED ON BAIL

Miss Morgan, who in addition to her night club activities, is also appearing in one of Broadway's popular shows, was taken to a police station with the eight club employees. Bail of $1,000 each was demanded and after several hours each obtained the necessary bail and was released.

The elaborate fixtures and furnishings, valued at $50,000, were loaded on six motor trucks and carted to a warehouse. H. E. Campbell, who headed the raiding party and twenty-five prohibition agents, said agents had been gathering evidence against the club for the last week. He refused to discuss the dismantling of the establishment.

The building, on West 54th Street, just off Broadway, was crowded with men and women in formal dress when the agents entered at 1.30 o'clock this morning. Miss Morgan, the club's hostess, is an actress and has appeared in many Broadway productions.

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Church Walls Fall And Child Killed

Naples, Dec. 30.—One child was killed and the mother superior of the orphanage at Darrah was seriously injured to-day when the walls of the church there collapsed during mass this morning. Prompt aid by firemen and police resulted in the rescue of the remaining orphans.

The church had been strongly buffeted by a storm which had prevailed here for several days.

LICENSE OFFICE OPEN TO-MORROW

The Provincial Police will keep the Motor License Department offices open until 5 o'clock to-morrow evening to supply automobile owners with 1928 license plates. Under the new ruling there is no time limit set in which motorists must secure their number plates. The law says they must have these by January 1. The police are doing all in their power to co-operate with the public, they declare.

LINDBERGH TO-DAY GREETED AT BELIZE

U.S. Airman on Goodwill Journey Visits Capital of British Honduras

Belize, British Honduras, Dec. 30.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, completing the second leg of his Central American tour, landed here in his monoplane, the Spirit of St. Louis at 9.45 a.m. to-day (7.45 a.m. Pacific Coast Time), from Guatemala City.

To-day was a public holiday in Belize. British and United States flags and colored bunting decked the city. Temporary obstacles at Newton Barracks, the landing field, had been cleared away.

Col. Lindbergh estimated his flight at 250 miles.

DEPARTURE FROM GUATEMALA

Guatemala City, Guatemala, Dec. 30.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh hopped off here at 6.20 a.m. Central Time today for Belize, British Honduras.

Running a zigzag across Central America and linking all the capitals and airways, a route of more than 1,300 miles stretched before Colonel Lindbergh to-day. Some time after January 8 his silver-winged monoplane, the Spirit of St. Louis, will come to rest in Panama and the highest honors in these peoples' power will have been paid him.

Guatemala found that the two-day stay, ended with Col. Lindbergh's departure this morning had afforded insufficient time to pay him the tribute which was felt due an adopted son.

HONDURAN HONORS

Tegucigalpa, Honduras, Dec. 30.—The Congress of Honduras yesterday voted to crown Col. Charles Lindbergh with a laurel wreath at a session to be held in his honor while he is visiting Honduras.

One million buttons bearing the flier's picture and the words, "Welcome Lindbergh" have been made and distributed. They are seen on coat lapels everywhere.

MAN KILLED BY MOTOR TRUCK

Oshawa, Ont., Dec. 30.—Walter H. Gomme was killed here yesterday when his bicycle was hit by a truck. He leaves a widow and three children.

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Fancy Jap Oranges, per box	90c
Large Spanish Onions, 5 lbs.	25c
Nice Cauliflower, each	15c
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YOUNG MEMBERS OF BOYS' HOUSE MAKE IMPORTANT CHANGES

Mother and Son Week to Be Observed During Second Week in May

After a lively debate it was decided at last evening's session of the fifth annual Older Boys' Parliament that a special week be laid aside during the year to honor the mothers of the boys of British Columbia. The week in which comes International Mothers' Day, generally the second week in May, was chosen.

YOUNG MEMBERS

The youngest members of Parliament, ranging in age from ten to thirteen years and representing the Trail Rangers of British Columbia, last evening gave the reports of their groups. One of the most interesting of the speakers was Kee Cheng of Lillooet, who spoke with good enunciation and equally good English. Kee Cheng, on passing of the clause "that the privilege of membership in Trail Rangers and Tuxis groups be extended to boys of foreign parentage," on behalf of the race which he represented, thanked the members for their far-sightedness and fairness in passing this clause.

Other reports, all telling of the various groups, were read by W. Burnham of Kelowna, D. Smiley of New Westminster, and I. Dawson of Mount Tolmie, Victoria.

Another bill introduced to the House yesterday was that which would provide for community councils in the various centres of the Province, which would be run along lines similar to city councils, where questions of local interest could be debated and where members might be given the proper training in how to correctly conduct meetings. The bill further had for its objects the drawing together of boys from different groups of the community, to create inter-group interest, to keep groups in closer touch with the programme, to provide for interchange of ideas and stimulate group activity by comparison, to widen the scope of the present programme, and to promote Trail Ranger camp conclaves and conferences.

WORLD BROTHERHOOD

It was suggested that under the head of the World Brotherhood Bill all the members of each group should, in the name of their secretary, take out membership in the League of Nations Association of Canada and so receive the literature published by the League for the purpose of debates and short discussions regarding this world-wide work. It was further suggested that efforts be made to have a special World Brotherhood Sunday instituted in the churches and that this subject be made one of interest at least every sixth Sunday.

The representation of the membership from New Westminster was increased last evening when it was pointed out that very recently there had been an increase in that territory.

The House also recommended that the dates of the annual British Columbia athletic contest be made from April 15 to July 15.

Although the members settled down to real business yesterday and got through a great deal of propaganda, before the adjournment last evening, there still remains a lot to be done and it is expected that the members will have to work this evening until the departure of the midnight boat for Vancouver, on which a number of the members are booked to leave for their respective homes on the mainland.

PREMIER AND MUNICIPALITIES MINISTER OF BOYS' HOUSE

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AUTO TRAGEDY IN LAKE WASHINGTON

Wife of Henry H. Manny, Seattle, Rotary International Leader, Drowned at Ferry

Seattle, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Catherine M. Manny, wife of Henry H. Manny, district governor of Rotary International, was drowned here last night when her automobile plunged off the rear of the Lake Washington ferryboat Leschi and sank in forty-five feet of water.

Manny nearly lost his life in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue his wife. He was pulled from the freezing lake water, and was prevented by bystanders from plunging in a second time.

Mr. and Mrs. Manny were en route from their home at Hunt's Point to Seattle for dinner with friends. As the boat approached the Leschi ferry landing, Manny attempted to start his car. When the starter refused to work he got out to crank the engine. At the first turn the engine started and the heavy coupe, which was midway of the boat, shot backwards, smashed through the heavy chain at the stern of the ship and dropped off into the lake. No one but Manny saw the accident. "Jump, jump," he shouted, as the car plunged into the lake. When he saw the icy waters swirl over the sinking car, he plunged after the machine.

Members of the crew heard Manny's cries, and without realizing a car had gone into the lake, they pulled him out of the chilling waters and prevented him from leaping in a second time.

Manny has been active in Pacific Northwest Rotary affairs for many years. He is Pacific Northwest manager for Hubbard & Company here.

SEARCH FOR GRAYSON PLANE IS NOW ENDED

New York, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Bryce Goldsborough, wife of the navigator of the missing plane Dawn, told the Associated Press she was convinced the search should be conducted on land rather than at sea.

"My husband and I were at Rockaway last Summer," she said. "During a storm we watched the great breakers come rolling in and my husband said then that if he ever got in a tight place in a plane he would make every effort to come down on land even if it meant a crash."

Mrs. Grayson and her crew of three men fliers left Roosevelt Field, Long Island, last Saturday evening for Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, intending to fly from there to Croydon, England. They have not since been seen.

Muncie, Ind., Dec. 30.—Still clinging to hope, Andrew J. Wilson, father of Mrs. Frances Wilson Grayson, whose plane, the Dawn, has been missing for several days, prepared to-day to go to New York in quest of his missing daughter.

The father, who owns a suburban grocery store here, admitted he did not know what he could do after he arrived in New York, but he felt he should be nearer those conducting the search.

"Until I hear beyond a doubt that my daughter has perished, I shall have some hope she may be merely lost somewhere on land," Wilson said.

VANCOUVER EDITOR BUYS MERRITT PAPER

—Steffens-Colmer Photo.

ERNEST B. MAYON

Well-known Vancouver newspaperman and past president of the B.C. Institute of Journalists, who has purchased The Merritt Herald newspaper and plant from James W. Ellis, police magistrate in that city. Mr. Mayon has been connected with Vancouver dailies for more than eleven years as city editor and telegraph editor on The Vancouver World and as telegraph editor on The Vancouver Sun. He went to Vancouver from Merritt and returns to the Nicola Valley firm in the conviction that there sound expansion must follow the completion of the last link of the Cariboo highway during the coming Summer. Then Merritt and other Nicola Valley points will be brought into direct highway connection with the Coast. Mr. Mayon will become sole owner and publisher of The Herald on January 1. On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Mayon were guests of honor of the executive of the Institute of Journalists at a dinner-meeting, when they were presented with a silver coffee percolator as a token of remembrance. J. Edward Norcross, president, who eulogized Mr. and Mrs. Mayon's services to the institute during many years, made the presentation.

CHINA AND PROGRESS

Detroit, Dec. 30.—Complete conversion of China to the European idea of civilization would result in catastrophe, in the opinion of Dr. Francis C. Wei, head of the College Presidents' Association of China. Speaking before the World Student Volunteer Convention here yesterday, Dr. Wei declared a second world war, more horrible than the last, would result should China attempt to become a nation of the European type and succeed. "China would attempt to get even with the rest of the world and eventually would lose everything of value, including her culture," he said.

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According to James L. Stuart, secretary of the Pennsylvania highways, the present number of cars in that state, 1,540,000, will increase to more than 2,500,000 in the next ten years.

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TORONTO ORANGEMEN STIRRED BY POPE'S REMARK ON CANADA

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Considerable discussion has been aroused in Orange circles by the Pope's reported exclamation: "What a vast and magnificently Catholic country is Canada."

The remark was made by His Holiness in connection with the elevation of Archbishop Rouleau of Quebec to the cardinalate.

Several prominent Orangemen see in the remark an effort to claim Canada as a part of the Holy Roman Empire, while others are inclined to take a more moderate interpretation.

"He had no right to call Canada a Catholic country," said Canon F. C. Ward-Whate, priest-vicar of St. Alban's Cathedral and prominent Orangeman. "The wish of His Holiness was father to the thought," the cleric suggested.

"You might as well say that a company is defunct if it delayed paying a small bill. tI would be the same sore of reasoning," said C. M. Carrie, another prominent Orangeman. It appeared to Mr. Carrie that there must be some motive in making such a statement which would inevitably be flashed across the length and breadth of the country.

"It would be very hard to know just what he means," he said. "Does he mean that the Government is dominated by the Roman Catholic Church? It seems to me that the statement is like that of a good advertising man. It is a sort of slogan. They preach the bon entente and then when everything is peaceful wave a red flag like this," he exclaimed.

The comment of H. C. Hocken, M. P., was brief. "You have just to take that statement and lay it alongside a suggestion in the Kingston Freemen recently that the Prince of Wales lay a King James Bible in the memorial tower at Ottawa to correct the impression that Canada is a Protestant country and you have their point of view."

"The population speaks for itself," was the comment of Russell Nesbitt, M.P.P., another leading light in Orange circles. "I doubt if he meant to do any more than extol the loyalty and generosity of his own people in this country. The occasion at which he made the statement was the honoring of a Canadian and it seems natural that he should say something nice about Catholics in Canada," was the way Mr. Nesbitt interpreted the debated sentence.

MAY TAKE MONTHS TO LOCATE ALL MISSING ORPHANS

Quebec, Dec. 30.—The surprising statement that it would probably take three months to trace the missing children from the St. Charles' Orphanage of the Order of the Good Shepherd who escaped the flames and have not been heard of since that night, was made by Eugene Leclerc, fire commissioner of Quebec.

"Many of these children are undoubtedly back in their homes," Mr. Leclerc explained. "The parents don't want to notify the authorities because they would have to send them back to the orphanage. They are afraid something will happen to them."

The fire commissioner also said that he intended to ask the provincial government at once to extend all possible assistance to him to help find the fugitives and to locate the people who are sheltering the children in spite of repeated emphasis by the city authorities in the press of the importance of notification at once in order to arrive at an exact idea of how many still are buried under the ruins.

An order has already been given by the recorder of the city, Eugene Desrivieres, to Laureat Lacasse, chief of detectives, to commence a thorough search for the missing children. It may possibly be necessary for detectives to visit the parents of all the children not known to be dead.

Two of the refugees were discovered recently at the homes. So far, of the 375 children at the orphanage before the fire, only 126 have returned, and thirty were found dead.

That at least one boy lost his life in the St. Jean Berchman's School fire, the second Good Shepherd fire last week, is admitted. Little hope is entertained by the police that Richard Fournier, nine-year-old boarder, who was sick in bed on the fourth floor when the fire broke out, will ever be found alive. For the past two days a detective has been searching throughout the city in the hope that he was taken in by local residents the night of the fire. In the meantime work is continuing in demolishing the dangerous walls left standing after the blaze, and as soon as possible a thorough search will be made of the ruins in an attempt to find this boy's body.

As the direct result of an illness contracted in rescuing children from St. Jean Berchman's School, J. P. Plamondon, of Lachevrotier Street, died at the St. Sacrament Hospital. For the greater part of the night of the fire Mr. Plamondon worked first at saving the sisters and children, and later at escorting them to places of safety. He took eight children and two nuns to his own home. The following day he complained of a pain in his side, and was taken to the hospital where he died.

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ROYAL DUTCH-SHELL LAUNCH WORLD WAR ON STANDARD OIL

New York, Dec. 30.—The Royal Dutch-Shell interests recently carried the world-wide fight against the Standard Oil Company of New York into the heart of the latter's territory by acquiring the Columbia Oil Company. The Columbia has a refinery at Constable Hook, Bayonne. This is the fourth step the Royal Dutch interests have taken in retaliation for the Standard Oil of New York's purchases of Soviet oil.

When Royal Dutch last July heard New York Standard had contracted to purchase oil in Russia, said to have been confiscated by the Soviet from other companies, it planned a world-wide competition against the latter. This battle started in India with the Burma Oil Company there competing more intensively against the Standard Oil of New York.

This move soon was followed by the Shell interests acquiring new pipe lines from the mid-Continent territory to refineries in Chicago. Later the Royal Dutch started marketing their products more extensively up-state.

Although it is said the price paid for the Columbia Company was $2,000,000, officials of the two concerns refused to confirm that price. If the price is as reported it is the highest ever paid for a piece of waterfront property in Bayonne. The Shell interests probably will not use the refinery, as they plan only to store oil.

The Royal Dutch-Shell Union combination has gained a good foothold in Chicago, Cleveland, Toledo and Buffalo. Although some of the oil trade intimated that establishment of a plant in New Jersey might be taken to mean an invasion into the Standard Oil of New Jersey this is not so construed by quarters close to the latter company. The Jersey Standard and Royal Dutch-Shell interests are known to be friendly.

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MODERN HOSPITALS CAREFUL TO AVOID BABY-CHANGING

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Toronto hospitals have elaborate systems to protect baby "switching," such as occurred in Victoria Hospital at London, Ontario, recently, when Mr. and Mrs. John Stuart found the baby which the nurse had told them was a girl was recorded by the hospital authorities to be a boy and they had to accept the male child. Two babies had arrived at the hospital within an hour. As Mr. and Mrs. Stuart already had a boy, they would have preferred a daughter and it was not until to-day that the father was placated and accepted his son.

Dr. G. G. Clegg, Victoria Hospital superintendent, explained to the Stuart family that an identification necklace was put on all babies as soon as they were born. This was in the operating room before the child was removed to the ward, and it was the nurse who had made an error in telling the mother the sex of the child.

The Toronto hospital authorities admit that a careless nurse might make a mistake in telling the mother whether the baby is a boy or girl.

"No information should be given until after the record is completed," said Miss Kelly, superintendent at Burnside Maternity Hospital of Toronto General Hospital. "A nurse could be so careless, but the patient need not worry, for the identification tag is always correct since it is placed on the baby immediately after birth."

It is with the identification necklace that Toronto General Hospital keeps straight the babies who arrive there—sometimes as many as fourteen a day. Western Hospital has a triple system to prevent mothers from getting hysterics when they believe the nurse has given them someone else's baby.

"As soon as th child is born a footprint is taken and placed on the hospital chart," said Mr. Galbraith, superintendent of the Western. "That footprint is like the famous fingerprint system used by the police, for no two babies have the same footprint. The second method of tabulating is by putting a piece of adhesive, bearing the child's surname, on its back. This adhesive will not come off except by use of a special solvent. As a last precautionary method the baby's cot bears the same number as the mother's ward and is wheeled into the operating room for the infant."

"We never had a case like that here, and hope we never will," he said, as he explained their triple system.

St. Michael's Hospital identifies babies by placing a wristlet on the child bearing the name, immediately on birth.

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Doorstep Delivery Of Milk Opposed

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Prohibition of doorstep delivery of milk is advocated by Major W. T. Rodden of this city, who says milk that is left on a doorstep for hours is open to contamination, and its pasteurization may not be worth anything because of the change in atmosphere to which it is subjected.

Major Rodden, who devoted considerable time to the propaganda that prepared this city for the by-law that forced pasteurization, says milk should be delivered direct from the driver to the customer. Almost every house, he says, has an ice box or one of the new refrigerating machines, and the milk can go right into a cool atmosphere and remain in good condition before being used. People who have no cooling facilities in their homes, he suggests, should get their milk at grocery stores where the milk is kept on ice and is away from contamination.

Major Rodden says it is not the fault of the milk companies that the early morning delivery is in vogue.

"It is the custom to which people have become wedded," he says, "and apparently many of them think it is necessary so they can get the morning's milk a few hours after milking. Such is not the case. But no milk delivered in Montreal should be more than twenty-four hours old, and if the deliveries were made during the day, as I suggest, the production and delivery could be systematized so that none of the milk consumed here would be more than a day old."

GOOD-WILLING WITH AMBASSADOR LINDY IN MEXICO CITY—Here are four vistas of the dizzy round of good-willing which is Lindy's in Mexico City! You see him with Emiliano Carranza, Mexican air ace, at the left above; at the right above he's chatting with Genero Estrada, acting secretary of foreign affairs (left) and Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow at the Mexican Foreign Office; below (left) is a scene in the National Chamber of Deputies as Alexandro Gerisola, the chamber president, presented Lindy with a medal; and at right below, with Ambassador and Mrs. Morrow and daughter, Constance, at the American embassy.

Vancouver Island News

Chemainus

Chemainus, Dec. 30 — Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Halhed entertained at a very jolly Christmas party, when their guests included Mr. and Mrs. William Cryer, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Halhed, Miss Rosemary Cryer, Mrs. Worsfold and Miss D. E. Worsfold of Vancouver, Miss Katharine Hill of Ladysmith, F. A. Halhed, F. R. Halhed, R. S. D. Ross and B. M. Halhed.

On Wednesday night Miss Brooks and her pupils gave a very jolly party in the Oyster River school house, which had been artistically decorated with evergreens. In one corner was a prettily-decorated Christmas tree, with an abundance of presents. About one hundred persons were present. An excellent programme of music and recitations was enjoyed. The programme follows: "O Come All Ye Faitful," the school; recitation, "Double Trouble," Gertrude Brents; dialogue, "Christmas Morning in Santa Land," Lillian Porter and Janie Gilchrist; recitation, "Puppy Problems," Harry Porter; carol, "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear," choir; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Blanch Rumble; dialogue, "A Bargain," Edith Tolmie and Christine Orr; a play, "On Board The Ss. Health," the school; carol, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," recitation, "The Secretary's Report," Lenora Smalley; vocal solo, "Santa Claus," John Orr; dialogue, "Be Yourself;" recitation, "A Close Shave," Laura Nelson; carol, "Good Christian Men Rejoice," the choir; recitation, "Santa and The Mouse," Tommy Porter; dialogue, "An Auction Sale of Dolly;" song, "Cradle Song," six girls; dialogue, "The Schoolmaster Abroad," seven boys; carol, "While Shepherds Watched," the choir; "O Canada."

During the evening a doll was raffled and was won by John Orr. The sum of $9 was realized, which has been given to the Junior Red Cross.

The distribution of presents then took place and each child received a gift and some candy.

A delectable supper was served, followed by games and dancing.

Miss Alice Peerens has returned to Chemainus after visiting her parents in Ladysmith for several days.

Master Roy Clute is home from Brentwood College for the holidays.

Douglas Cree has returned to Chemainus after visiting his mother, Mrs. Cree, Oak Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lloyd, and baby daughter of Powell River are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Cawthorpe.

B. Blasson has returned home to Sidney after visiting his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Casswell.

Dr. H. B. Rogers, Mrs. Rogers and Master Harry Rogers have returned home after spending a few days with Senator H. G. Barnard and Mrs. Barnard of Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cowans and Master Donald and Mr. and Mrs. Vater, who have been visiting relatives in Nanaimo, have returned home.

Arthur Stanier who has been holidaying with his parents in Victoria, has returned to Chemainus.

Mrs. Halhed entertained at the tea-hour, Wednesday, and her guests included Mrs. Rivett-Carnac, Mrs. J. Inglis, Mrs. N. B. Scott, Mrs. Maurice Halhed and others.

Chemainus, Dec. 30—Mrs. J. K. Worsfold and Miss Doris Worsfold of Kitsilano Beach, Vancouver, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Halhed.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Skillen and little daughter, who have been guests of Mrs. Skillen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gardier, Victoria, have returned home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bailey and Master Dick Bailey, guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Casswell, have returned to Vancouver.

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Mrs. Oscar Olsen and Master Harry Olsen of Tacoma are guests for a week of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Longrigg.

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Mr. Basil Hood has returned from a holiday with relatives in Victoria.

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Miss Grace MacInnes is holidaying with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Michell, Tacoma.

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Mr. and Mrs. Horace Davie of Vancouver are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Underwood.

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Miss McVittie-Taylor and Miss Christian of Westholme are spending a holiday in Vancouver.

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The little son of Captain and Mrs. Cranko, Mt. Sicker Road, is in the King's Daughters Hospital, Duncan, with an attack of appendicitis.

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OAK BAY IN GOOD SHAPE

OAK BAY MUNICIPALITY HAS REduced its tax rate six mills in the last two years and is looking forward to beginning the year 1928 with a surplus of $63,000.

This is a very satisfactory state of affairs and reflects considerable credit on the reeve and council for the manner in which they have discharged their duties. Reeve Anscomb, who, by the way, does not choose to run in 1928, has proved himself an efficient chief executive and the financial condition of the municipality indicates that he made no mistake when he appointed Councillor Hayward as chairman of the finance committee.

The neighboring municipality, of course, is fortunate in its possession of one of the choicest residential districts in this part of the Island and its growing popularity as a place in which to live naturally has been an important factor in profitable civic management. This in no way detracts from efficiency in administration. Municipal councillors are just as human as anybody else. They have the same tendency to weaken their vigilance when times are prosperous; but the Oak Bay Council does not seem to have been influenced at all by successive good years. It has followed strict business methods.

Efficient administration of civic affairs in the surrounding municipalities is good business for Victoria. To the prospective resident or investor we are all one. Four good balance sheets, however, must make a favorable impression upon him.

IS WAR INEVITABLE?

GENERAL HILLIAM OF SORRENTO has been telling the members of the Canadian Legion at Kamloops that all young Canadians should be instructed as soldiers in preparation for the next war, which, in his opinion, is inevitable. "Idiots on the platform," proclaimed the General, had influenced men not to allow their sons to train for war. "We abhor war, we abominate it," he said in the next breath, "but there it is and will be till the end of the world." The General thinks the League of Nations can not live; he looks for it to pass soon. Chaos, he concluded, is the only alternative to preparation for war.

It is only fair to General Hilliam to say he prefaced his remarks with the statement that he was a soldier, posing as nothing else, and speaking as a soldier to men who also had been soldiers. That is the explanation of his strange attitude towards the youth of Canada and his expectations for the future of the world. Some professional soldiers and professional sailors look upon all talk of disarmament as the mechanic who toiled with his hands regarded the advent of machinery in its various forms. Many others, notably Sir William Robertson and Earl Jellicoe, think otherwise.

The youth of Canada has a much more important task to attend to than prepare for the next "inevitable" war. The young men and young women of this country have been bequeathed a great heritage and it is theirs to make what they will of it. It is their duty to till the soil, to extract the wealth that lies buried in it, and to play their part in making this Dominion a great nation. They may not be permitted to finish their task without disturbance by war; but it is certain that if they do not devote all their resources to it, they will not achieve their purpose.

Many millions of lives and billions of wealth were sacrificed in the last war, not merely to overcome the Central Alliance, but to put an end to militarism and by that means make future wars impossible. Was all that vast loss and suffering in vain? Something to be disregarded in the preparation for another relapse into barbarism—another orgy of slaughter? Are nations really incapable of settling their disputes by civilized means, just as individuals in those nations settle their disputes? Are they really only potential gunmen?

Is it not generally realized that if the last war had been prolonged a year or two, the lurid flames of revolution and anarchy would have swept over almost every country on earth, that another resort to arms would engulf civilization in chaos? Could Great Britain and France, with their mountains of debt, and critical labor troubles, which will be with them for many generations, carry double those disabilities without complete collapse? Certainly British statesmen do not think so and, with all deference to the martial general, we suggest that Mr. Baldwin, Lord Balfour, Lord Robert Cecil and Mr. Lloyd George are better mentors on this subject than he is.

As for the League of Nations, obviously it could not last if it had to depend upon the kind of intelligence that is reflected in the outpourings of those who, warped by ignorance or bilious prejudice, scoff at it. But, happily, the great minds behind that institution are not dominated by either the ethics or outlook of the cave-man, and the success of their efforts so far is a happy augury for the future. Certainly we have every reason to expect that the march of civilization, slow though it has been, some day will reach a point where the nations of the world in their disputes with one another will not be governed by the morals and stupidity of rival gangsters of the underworld.

STALIN DEALS WITH RAKOVSKY

SOME TIME AGO CHRISTIAN RAKovsky was expelled from the Communist Party of Russia. He had been Soviet Ambassador to France; but was recalled because he had combined that position with odd jobs in behalf of the cause of world revolution. Now the Central Committee of the Communist Party has relieved him of his duties as assistant commissar of foreign affairs as well as from the chairmanship of the Soviet delegation for negotiations with France. In other words, Rakovsky will be able to keep Trotzky and Zinovieff company, and help them to stir up opposition to Stalin and the more moderate wing of the party.

These continual expulsions of prominent members of the inner circle of the Communist Party are interesting if only for the reason that they represent the growth of the new outlook on the part of the majority in control. They are still more significant in their reflection of the authority which Stalin now is able to wield. No doubt Trotzky still has many influential friends in the party and a fair amount of friendship in the army; but there are no indications so far that he can muster anything like sufficient opposition to the policies of Stalin to restore his influence. In getting rid of the extremists, the men who still dream of and plot for world revolution, the Central Executive Committee at least is doing its best to convince the rest of the world that Russia is preparing to return to the international fold. Of course it will take some time; but the process obviously is going on and in this the world is intensely interested. Russia's harmonious co-operation in European affairs would be a great factor for peace.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

COLD COUNSEL

From The Winnipeg Tribune

Crisp weather is with us again—an old friend, and a good friend, if met in the right way.

Rightly understood, our Winters are not a drawback to our climate in general. Cold, snappy weather is health-giving, invigorating weather, if we give it a chance.

If our only response is to put on heavy clothing and stay close to the steam radiators, of course, there is no benefit to health or spirits, but rather harm. But get out in it, defy it, and it becomes surprisingly friendly and companionable.

A TARIFF LESSON

From The Ottawa Citizen

Now that the new Ford is out and all the ceremonies of the debut over, it is instructive if a little unpleasant to compare the prices of the new machine in the United States and in Canada. An American paper, 'Labor' of Washington, has already conveniently done this. Here is the list of body styles and the price of each on both sides of the border:

	U.S. Price	Canadian Price
Roadster	$385	$495
Phaeton	395	510
Coupe	495	640
Tudor Sedan	495	640
Sport Coupe	550	710
Fordor Sedan	570	740

The United States prices are f.o.b. Detroit, and Canadian prices f.o.b. Ford, Ont., just across the river, where the Canadian Ford is manufactured. The same wage scales prevail on both sides of the line. It is also said that some men working in the Detroit plant live in Ford, and some working in the Ford plant live in Detroit. Furthermore, materials are said to cost the same. The cars are identical.

Why this difference in price? Why do Canadian consumers have to fork out from $110 to $170 more for Ford cars than United States consumers do?

Of course you have guessed the answer. It is the tariff. The differences in price are almost identical with the duty rates on imported cars. Does the Canadian Government and therefore the consumer to some extent gain by this increased price? Not by a nickel. The Ford concern apparently gets it all. Tariffists will tell you that it is a protective tariff to protect Canadian industry. But really, in the case cited, it is a special privilege to mulct Canadian car users. The figures speak for thmselves.

The Ford Company is not to be blamed. Mr. Ford has declared that he is ready to carry on without any tariff. The Canadian people prefer to maintain protection."

THOUGHTS

Set thine house in order.—Isaiah xxxviii., 1.

Order means light and peace, inward liberty and free command over one's self; order is power.—Amiel.

JOTS FROM GEOGRAPHY

WANDERING SANDHILLS, of the Libyan Desert, have made it very hard for modern engineers and surveyors to fix boundaries in the little country of Africa. When they think they have located a permanent landmark, lo and behold, before it can be placed on the maps it moves somewhere else—and not by the process of a grain or two. Whole mountains of sand change position over night. Various international commissions have failed to solve the problem of the wandering sandhills.

DO YOU KNOW—

That the almost extinct buffalo or bison was the only native horned cattle found in America, but has never been domesticated. A year after his discovery Columbus brought the first farm animals to this continent—a bull and several cows.

Life's Niceties
Hints On Etiquette

1. What is "open house" on New Year's Day?
2. Are written invitations extended?
3. Who usually holds "open house" on January 1?

THE ANSWERS

1. That you are at home to callers.
2. No.
3. Older, more established families.

Bridge Me Another

By W. W. WENTWORTH

(Abbreviations: A—ace, K—king, Q—queen, J—jack, X—Any card lower than 10.)

1—When holding A K Q X, how many outside quick tricks are necessary to bid initially?

2—When holding A Q J X X, how many outside quick tricks are necessary to bid initially?

3—When holding K Q J 10 X, how many outside quick tricks are necessary to bid initially?

THE ANSWERS

1—None.
2—None.
3—None.

Canadian Questions and Answers

THE WORLD'S THIRD LARGEST RESERVOIR

Q—Canada has the world's third largest reservoir. Where is it?

A—The Baskatong storage reservoir on the Gatineau River of Quebec, will be the third largest in the world apart from natural reservoirs in the lake regions. Baskatong Lake will be raised fifty-five feet and will regulate the flow on the Gatineau River on which three power developments are being constructed to produce nearly 500,000 horse power.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department

Victoria, Dec. 30—5 a.m.—A pronounced cold wave continues to spread southward and frosts are reported in California. Intense cold is becoming general in the prairies.

Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 26; minimum, 19; wind, 16 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 24; minimum, 10; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.72; temperature, maximum yesterday, 2 below; minimum, 16 below; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.42; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 16; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 36; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 32; minimum, 26; wind, 48 miles E.; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.26; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 18; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 46; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

Swift Current—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 16 below; minimum, 20 below; snow, .8.

Regina—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 10 below; minimum, 24 below; snow, .2.

Temperature

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	26	19
Vancouver	24	10
Barkerville	—16	..
Penticton	19	..
Grand Forks	9	..
Nelson	0	..
Cranbrook	—8	..
Edmonton	—12	..
Qu'Appelle	—12	..
Winnipeg	—6	..
Toronto	50	..
Ottawa	40	..
Montreal	40	..
St. John	40	..
Halifax	40	..
Dawson	—40	..
Atlin	—22	..

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Other People's Views

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DALHOUSIE VERSUS VICTORIA

To the Editor:—We desire to record our appreciation of the rugby game played in Victoria yesterday.

The players all, of both sides, appeared to us to be excellent sports, and the work of the referee was worth the 50c admission.

TWO SOCCER FANS.

"SMALL POLITICS"

To the Editor:—I note in your issue of the 27th inst., an editorial entitled "Small Politics." You characterize as nonsense the criticism of the visit of Sir Henry Thornton to Mexico to advise the Mexican Government as to operating their railways.

Sir Henry Thornton is president of our Canadian Railways, with the salary of $65,000 a year, which the most liberal person will allow is enough pay for running a concern that is showing a deficit of many millions of dollars per year. Thanks to the large amount of money he controls for advertising, and also his love for the great American labor unions, Sir Henry Thornton is practically immune from criticism by the press and the politician. It is a well-known fact that most of the stock of the Mexican Railways is owned by Americans.

The U.S.A. agreed under the workings of the Monroe Doctrine to police Mexico, and keep law and order, and also protect foreign investors. They have (as they usually do) neglected their duty and Mexico has lapsed into a state of semi-savagery.

I do not know of a single reason why Canada should help to pull the chestnuts out of the fire for American investors. The pretext that Sir Henry Thornton's visit was in the interests of trade will not hold water. The Federal Government have plenty of machinery to handle these questions. Sir Henry Thornton refuses to give any reason for his visit. He says that the public can think what they like about it. Rather a high-handed statement considering that he is a servant of the public. I am not a Catholic, but I thoroughly agree with Bishop Fallon in his criticisms. Our National Railways are the greatest business in the Dominion, and yet the public get little or no detailed information of its operations. Like our B.C. Liquor Board, the public get only the most meagre information of how the business is conducted.

Sir Henry Thornton some years ago bought the Scribe Hotel, in Paris. Public money was used for that purchase. How many people know what has become of this transaction?

The newspapers and the labor unions all join in a pean of praise to the ability and genius of Sir Henry Thornton, and yet the bare facts are that the public are paying nearly fifty per cent more for railway service than we did a few years ago. To make it celar, what we used to buy for one dollar on our railways, now costs $1.50. Aside from this there is an annual deficit of many millions of dollars. Any business man knows the peril of a one-man business. Independent audits should be made yearly by disinterested firms. The question of depreciation alone can turn an apparent profit into a loss.

I cannot agree with you, Mr. Editor, when you class the criticism of Sir Henry Thornton as political. The Conservatives of Canada are too much afraid of the labor unions and the press to venture on any criticism of the management of our National Railways. The great Tory machine (like Arthur Meighen) still cries "Hands off our National Railways!" The result is that the public are unprotected, and can get no detailed information of the largest business we have in Canada. There is no honest reason why the monthly wages paid on our National Railways should not be published every year. There is no reason why all contracts like coal (one of the largest items of expense) should not be bid for publicly. If the bids are too high, get coal from Federal coal lands now idle. And lastly, I see no reason why a highly paid man like Sir Henry Thornton, should be allowed to leave his job at the busiest season of the year, to help anyone. His job is in Canada. There is nothing we need in Canada more than honest criticism. Having no opposition in our Federal House worth mentioning, the job is up to the public, and the press should back them up, and not play politics by trying to bolster up any one man at the expense of the general public.

F. J. BOURNE.

The Glenshiel Inn., Victoria, B.C. December 29, 1927.

Editor's note.—1. This correspondent obviously needs enlightenment on many particulars. Canadian National Railways spend less for advertising in the average Canadian newspaper than the average local retail store.

2. Out of 10,000 miles of railway in Mexico the Mexican Government owns, controls and operates more than 8,000 miles. Mexico's relations with British capitalists and the British Government are much more cordial than they are with United States capitalists, and the United States Government.

3. There is absolutely nothing in the Monroe Doctrine, direct or implied, under which the United States agreed to police Mexico, keep law and order and protect foreign investors. The Monroe Doctrine is really the Canning Doctrine, and originated with Sir George Canning, British Secretary of State for Foreign affairs, little more than a century ago.

4. Sir Henry Thornton's relations with United States labor unions are no more intimate than they are with Canadian labor unions. In dealing with railway workers' unions both the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Pacific Railway are in the same boat.

5. Sir Henry Thornton has been no more immune to criticism in the press and Parliament of Canada than Mr. Beatty or the head of any other large Canadian public utility. Many pages of Hansard are consumed every session by debates on the Canadian National Railways.

6. Every detail of the cost of operation of the Canadian National Railways appears in the voluminous annual report issued by the management and published in condensed form by the Canadian press.

7. Increase in the cost of railway service to the Canadian people began six or seven years before Sir Henry Thornton came to Canada—when he was director of war transportation for the British Government and head of the Great Eastern Railway in England. Sir Henry Thornton did not come to Canada until 1922.

Rates are fixed by the Railway Commission, except those involved in the Crows Nest Pass agreement with the Canadian Pacific Railway, which have been renewed with modification by Parliamentary statute.

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Four hundred and fifty children, the smaller accompanied by their mothers, where the happy guests of the Rotary Club yesterday afternoon at the monster Christmas tree party at the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium.

The programme opened with an invocation by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick at 2.30 o'clock. The hall was filled to capacity with the happy guests who at once fell to on the bountiful array of good things, spread before them on tables well decorated and equipped with horns, rattles and other joyous noise-making instruments dear to the heart of youth.

During the repast the Rotary Orchestra of ten instruments, under the direction of Bandmaster James Miller, provided a programme of popular airs. Herbert Kent led the community singing. The entertainment was provided by Frank Merryfield the magician and Farmer's Punch and Judy show, supplemented by dancing numbers by youthful artists.

The big event of the day was the arrival of Santa Claus at the giant illuminated and decorated Christmas tree, his appearance being greeted with deafening applause from the youngsters. The rotund and jovial old gentleman bore a striking likeness to Rotarian Lemm. Distribution of the hundreds of gifts took place in the dining-room adjoining the main auditorium, each child being given toys and a bag containing oranges, nuts and candy.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

THE VICTORIA DAILY TIMES, DECEMBER 30, 1902.

At the rate Victoria trade with the Orient has increased in the last few years, it should not be long before there is an almost daily departure for points in the Far East.

Victoria and vicinity—Weather forecast: Moderate or fresh winds, chiefly easterly, cloudy and cool with rain.

According to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane people are behind a project to build a railway from Tacoma through Seattle and towns on the north, to Sumason, the international boundary.

Manager Jamieson has arranged for the appearance here at the Victoria Theatre to-morrow night, of that favorite musical comedy, "The Telephone Girl," the most successful one of the many New York Casino successes.

The repairs to the bridge near Cowichan, on the E. & N. Railway line have not yet been completed.

The hockey game played between the Royal Artillery and Victoria on Saturday afternoon was without doubt the most hotly contested game of the season. The score sheet at the finish stood 5-3 in favor of Victoria.

The weekly run of the Victoria Hunt Club, held on Saturday afternoon was well attended. Nineteen participated.

Last evening the services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church were of a character especially appropriate to the Christmas season. The auditorium was tastefully decorated with holly, ivy and flowers. There was a large attendance. The choir sang an extensive programme of Christmas carols and anthems.

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Butt End, per lb. ....31¢
Swift's Premium Hams, 11 lbs., per lb. ....33¢
Smoked Picnic Hams, per lb. ....21¢
Smoked Cottage Rolls, per lb. ....30¢
Sliced Ayrshire Ham, per lb. ....42¢
Sliced Ayrshire Shoulder, per lb. ....36¢

AT THE CHEESE COUNTER

Imported Swiss Wheel, per lb. ....55¢
Imported Gorgonzola, per lb. ....50¢
Imported Edam, per lb. ....40¢
Imported Roquefort, per lb. ....55¢
English Stilton Cheese, per lb. ....65¢
English Cheshire Cheese, per lb. ....65¢

Roast Turkeys up from $2.00
Roast Chicken, $1.50 to $2.50
Libby's Sauerkraut, per lb. ....10¢
Sliced Boiled Ham, per lb. ....55¢
Beekist Ontario Honey, per lb. ....18¢
Heinz Dills, 6 for ....25¢

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Strictly New-laid Extras, per dozen ....42¢
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Small Firm Grain-fed Pork
Shoulders, 5 to 7 lbs., foot off, per lb. ....19¢
Butts, very meaty, 2 to 5 lbs., per lb. ....23¢
Legs, 4 to 6 lbs., shank off, per lb. ....26¢
Loins, 2 to 4 lbs., rind off, per lb. ....29¢
Pork Steaks, per lb. ....25¢

Choice New Zealand Mutton
Shoulders, half or whole, per lb. for ....18¢
Legs, half or whole, per lb. 31¢
Racks, 2 to 3 lbs., per lb. ....25¢
Rib Chops, per lb. ....29¢

Prime Steer Beef
Rolled Pot Roasts, per lb. ....20¢
Rolled Prime Ribs, per lb. ....25¢
Rump Roasts, per lb., 25¢-20¢
Sirloin Tip Roasts, lb., 26¢-20¢
Oxford Sausage, per lb. ....13¢
Mince Steak, per lb. ....15¢
Round Steak, per lb., 22¢-19¢
Sirloin Steak, per lb. ....30¢

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Fancy Roasting Chickens, 6 to 8 lbs., per lb. ....43¢

Fillet Roasts Pork, per lb. ..30¢
Centre-cut Loins Pork, lb., 32¢
Legs Lamb, half or whole, lb., 38¢
T-bone Roasts, cut short, lb., 35¢
Sirloin Tip Roasts, per lb., 30¢
Rump Roasts Beef, per lb. ...28¢
Pure Pork Sausage Meat, lb., 25¢
Little Pig Pure Pork Sausages, per lb. ....28¢

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Pickled Ox Tongues, per lb. ....25¢
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Silverside Corned Beef, per lb. ....25¢
Rolled Boneless Corned Beef, per lb. ....20¢
Pickled Pork Hocks, per lb. ....12¢

Groceteria Values For the Week-end Cash and Carry

Libby's Tomato Soup, per tin 10¢
Beach-Eakin's Strawberry Jam, 4s, for ....69¢
Del Monte Pork and Beans, 2s, for ....17¢
Shirriff's Pineapple Marmalade, 10-oz. glass ....19¢
Singapore Pineapple, 2s, 2 tins for ....25¢
Essex Corn, per tin ....14¢
Spencer's Bartlett Pears, 2s, per tin ....25¢
Hillsdale Asparagus Tips, per tin ....25¢
Brunswick Sardines, per tin 6¢
Blue Ribbon Matches, 400s, 2 boxes for ....19¢
Bullen's Plum Puddings, 1s, per bowl ....50¢
King Beach Red Plums, 2½s, per tin ....19¢
Grape Nuts, 2 packets for 29¢
Old City Pure Maple Syrup imperial quarts ....95¢
Borden's Malted Milk, small, 37¢
Borden's Malted Milk, medium, for ....70¢
Borden's Malted Milk, hospital size $2.95
Quaker Loganberry Jam, 4s, per tin ....43¢
Harry Horne's Custard Powder, 1s, per tin ....31¢
Royal Crown Soap, 2 cartons 39¢
Crisco, the Ideal Shortening, 3s, per tin ....80¢
B. & K. Pastry Flour, 10s, per sack ....49¢

OAK BAY SHOWS $63,000 SURPLUS

Surplus of $11,000 For This Year, Financial Report Shows

Candidates For Election to 1928 Council Speak at Gathering

A surplus for the year of $11,000, which with a favorable balance of $52,000 shown in the municipality's account at the end of last year, makes a total of $63,000 cash on hand, was shown in the report of Oak Bay's financial condition by Councillor E. C. Hayward at a meeting held in the municipal hall last night.

Liquidation of the municipality's debenture debt made steady progress. Mr. Hayward pointed out, the debt at the end of 1926 being $981,308, and at the end of 1927, $956,012, a reduction of $25,295, made up of $32,295, which was paid off and $7,000 added for the Monterey School addition. There would be a further reduction of $38,000 in 1928.

"In 1943, the outstanding debt will have been reduced to $270,000, and there should be at least $120,000 in the sinking fund to meet it at that time," he continued.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS

The local improvement debt was also being cleared up rapidly, he declared. In 1920 the local improvement debt was $480,224 with the levy $51,857. In 1927 this was reduced to $139,063, the levy being $7,223. This is a reduction in seven years of $341,161 in the debt and $44,624 in the levy.

In order to give the present day taxpayer a benefit of the surplus in sinking funds, it was decided to take eighty per cent of the surplus each year and apply it to the current revenue. During 1926 and 1927 $9,581 was applied to the revenue in this way.

FINE TAX COLLECTIONS

Giving an accounting of the financial condition for 1927, Mr. Hayward stated the estimated receipts for the year were $252,000, while the actual receipts were something in the neighborhood of $273,000. The large increase here was due in a measure to the fine tax collections. Oak Bay had set a record of collecting 93.5 per cent of its general taxes during 1927.

Expenditures were estimated at $282,000, he continued. They had actually amounted to about $262,000. Savings had been made in the public health department, where large sums set aside for epidemics, etc., had been untouched, in the police department, the plant department, road maintenance and water operation.

Discussing taxes, he pointed out the levy in 1926 was $170,257 on a rate of 31 mills. In 1927 this was reduced to $159,643 at a rate of 28 mills. Of $15,032 in tax arrears, $9,642 were collected and of $7,855 in delinquent taxes, $7,058 were collected.

LAND SALES

Dealing with land sales Mr. Hayward explained that in 1925, 61 lots, assessed at $33,700 were sold for $30.44. In 1926, 158 lots, assessed at $111,760, were sold for $147,574 and in 1927 94 lots, assessed at $115,930 sold for $159,190.

"The assessment of lands in Oak Bay is thus approaching very close the real value of the land," he declared.

Mr. Hayward then paid tribute to the fine work of Reeve Anscomb and offered himself as a candidate for the office for the next year.

Councillor A. D. Crease, who will run again for office, discussed water mains. "Conditions are changing. The municipality is expanding, and we need new roads, new water mains and larger mains," he said. They were needed for better fire protection and for better service, he declared. Lighting facilities were another factor which must be dealt with soon, he added.

BUILDING FIGURES

Councillor Mearns dealt with the building activity, giving figures for the last four years. In 1924, the permits were $125,000, he said. In 1927, they totaled $521,000, an increase of approximately 400 per cent. He also referred to the satisfactory result of the water arbitration and the reduction of the tax rate levy of six mills in two years.

Councillor T. J. Goodlake stated the removal of the street car tracks from the side to the middle of Oak Bay Avenue and the construction of a sidewalk on Beach Drive were his pet hobbies. The car track question was one of great impostance in traffic matters, while the condition on Beach Drive on Sunday with pedestrians wandering amongst automobile traffic was one which should not continue.

Councillors Ashe and Money, whose terms in office do not expire until next year, also spoke, expressing congratulations to Reeve Anscomb on his successful work. Councillor Money urged that younger men should come forward and take a hand in municipal affairs.

Police Commissioner H. L. N. Edwards outlined the work of the police commission, in offering himself as a candidate for another two-year term.

Colonel W. N. Winsby, although not a candidate for election at this time, explained some of the work accomplished by the School Board, expressing the view that a new high school could be built at a cost under $100,000.

Several questions were asked by ratepayers at the meeting before the close. Practically all who spoke paid tribute to the administration of the last year.

OKLAHOMA FIGHT ENDS

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 30—National Guardsmen called out December 12 to prevent the State Senate and House of Representatives from holding a special session of the Legislature were demobilized late yesterday by Governor Henry S. Johnson when he was informed the senators had adjourned sine die.

CHANGES IN TEACHING OF U.S. HISTORY

Washington, Dec. 20.—Urging the development of genium, intelligent patriotism, the American Historical Association, meeting here, has gone on record against what was termed a "widespread effort to force the fabrication of history." A demand was made that the truth be taught even though it might contain unpleasant facts.

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Nighties for the college girl, called "Collegiates" come in pastel shades of silk with lace yokes and long sleeves, with lace cuffs.

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At Reduced Prices

Overcoats of strong textured coatings. Burly half-belters and loose-fitting models. Heavy and medium weights in blues, greys, fawns and mixed tweeds. On sale for

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MEN'S SUITS

AT

$14.75, $18.75, $23.75

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Men's Suits of plain blue serge, fancy worsted, and fashionable tweeds. Made in single or double-breasted models, well tailored and trimmed; suitable for young men or business men. Sizes 34 to 44; regular prices to $30.00. On sale for **$18.75**

Suits of superior grade, all-wool English worsteds and tweeds, in the newest styles for young men and conservative models. There are blues, stripes, herringbones, browns and fancy weaves; sizes 34 to 46. Regular prices to $40.00. On sale for **$23.75**

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

Women's and Misses' Dresses

Dresses of flannel and jersey cloth, smart styles and latest shades; suitable for afternoon or sports wear; sizes 16 to 40. Sale price **$3.95**

Flannel Dresses, designed in one and two-piece style effects, with long sleeves and roll collars, kick-pleat skirts; shown in several shades. Sale price **$4.95**

Crepe de Chine, Jersey Cloth and Crepe Back Satin Dresses, very effectively styled. Shown in black, navy and bright shades; sizes 16 to 40. Sale price **$8.95**

Silk and Cloth Dresses, in numerous styles for afternoon or business wear; dark or light shades; sizes 16 to 40. Sale price **$5.95**

Attractive Cloth and Silk Dresses for afternoon wear, shown in the latest straight-line and two-piece styles, all newest shades; sizes 16 to 44. Sale price **$10.95**

Seasonable Frocks of serge, Balbriggan with velvet, wool faille, georgette with velvet and flat crepe; all shades, including navy and black; styles for afternoon and semi-evening wear; sizes 16 to 48. Sale price **$14.95**

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Party Frocks of georgette, taffeta and net sequin; flower, ribbon and lace trimmed. Big selection of dainty colors; sizes 16 to 38. Sale price

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SOCIAL PERSONAL — WOMEN'S AFFAIRS — AND CLUB NEWS

Many Festivites Planned To Welcome In New Year

Imminence of Sunday Causes Earlier Hour for Public Celebrations, But Carnival Features to Be More Popular Than Ever

With the snow and frost outside to give a fillip to the indoor festivities, the passing of the old year and the welcoming of the new will be celebrated with fitting jollity at innumerable public and private gatherings in Victoria tomorrow evening. Time was when the celebration was chiefly observed by Scotsmen, but in the last decade the New Year's Eve festivities have become so popular as almost to overshadow the Christmas rites for the grown-ups.

The imminence of Sunday has necessitated an earlier commencement of many of the festivities, particularly in the more public gatherings, with the result that in most cases dancing will be from 8.30 till midnight, with supper following.

One of the largest public gatherings will be at the Empress Hotel, where many residents of Victoria as well as visitors from the adjoining cities will dance from 8.30 until midnight, and then, at supper, bid farewell to 1927 and welcome to 1928 to the accompaniment of carnival features. A large number of tables have been engaged for the event, many hostesses choosing this way of entertaining parties.

The Crystal Garden will be another popular rendezvous, the management having arranged a most attractive programme of dance music with carnival features for Saturday evening. Caps, favors and serpentine will be in evidence with which to pay tribute to the New Year, and it is anticipated that hundreds of revellers will participate in the fun.

There will be no public dance at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club this year.

Members of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and their families will hold a "family party" at their clubrooms on Saturday evening, with dancing from 8.30 until midnight, followed by supper. The Children's Aid Home is to benefit by the frolic which the Native Sons will hold in their hall on New Year's Eve. In addition to dancing, there will be all kinds of fun provided through the use of "phoney" money, which is to be distributed at the door, and the party promises to be one of the jolliest in the city.

In addition to these affairs of a more public kind, large numbers of parties are being arranged in private homes, both for old and young people, so that 1927 will be speeded on its way into history with appropriate leave-takings and the New Year ushered in with the ceremony and rejoicing which its advent warrants.

GIRL TELLS STORY OF ENSLAVEMENT

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—A charge of enslavement was preferred against Mrs. T. S. Arico of New Orleans yesterday by United States District Attorney Edward Talbot after a maid in the woman's household had told officers she had been held prisoner for three years at Mrs. Arico's home. Mrs. Arico was arraigned before a United States commissioner and entered a plea of not guilty. She was released under $5,000 bond.

The maid, Anna Lameu, twenty, who said she was a native of Germany, declared she had been forced to subsist on food she retrieved from garbage pails and that she had been beaten with a length of hose and heavy wire for infractions of Mrs. Arico's orders.

Pedestrians who found the girl in the street last night suffering from wounds about the face and body, took her to a hospital, where she later was questioned by officers. Physicians at the hospital said her condition was not believed to be serious.

Mrs. Arico, the wife of an automobile salesman, is said to be moderately wealthy.

JENNY LIND REVIVED

Were Jenny Lind alive to-day, millions would have heard her by radio. As it is, the great Swedish nightingale comes to life in the person of Lydia Dozier, prominent Cincinnati soprano, in a Jenny Lind repertoire over WLW, sponsored by Charles Lind, a descendant of the famous songster. Miss Dozier is shown here in a Jenny Lind costume which she wore for this radio concert.

Canadian Army Officers Promoted

Ottawa, Dec. 30—A number of promotions and appointments in the active military forces are announced by the Department of National Defence, among them two affecting Moose Jaw and Saskatoon.

Major H. G. Young, D.S.O., M.C., has been appointed to command No. 10 Field Ambulance, C.A.M.C., at Moose Jaw, vice Lieutenant-Colonel W. Brown, M.C., deceased. Major Young served continuously with the Canadian Army Medical Corps in France from February, 1917, to February, 1919. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Order and the Military Cross.

Major R. J. McEwan, O.B.E., has been promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and to command No. 12 Cavalry Field Ambulance at Saskatoon in place of Lieut.-Col. R. H. MacDonald, D.S.O., M.C., who has transferred to the general list of the C.A.M.C., and attached to the Saskatoon Light Infantry as medical officer. Lieut.-Col. McEwan served in France from March, 1915, to November, 1918.

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SANTA CLAUS PAYS VISIT TO ORPHANS

Annual Christmas Entertainment Given By Children Yesterday

Of all the Christmas parties held in the city this season none brought more real happiness to its little guests or found them more responsive than that at the Protestant Orphans' Home yesterday afternoon.

Held in the large hall, with its pretty decoration of greenery, scarlet Christmas bells and holly, the occasion attracted a large number of friends of the institution, who warmly applauded the delightful programme given by the children. Trained by Mrs. Barner, the assistant matron, and Mrs. Wilson, the little ones acquitted themselves splendidly in songs, recitations and dialogues, F. Waddington directing the carols.

The programme in detail follows: Carol, "O Come All Ye Faithful"; carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; opening address, Phyllis and Kathy Battle; recitation, Jennie Drever; "Jesus Bids Us Shine," little tots; recitation, Nora Harrison; song, Ellen Hogan; instrumental duet, Nicholas and Jack Judd; doll song, four girls; recitation, Ruth Haynes; dialogue, Ivy and Jean Marchant; recitation, nine boys; duet, Ruth Hogan and Mabel Lawrie; recitation, Reggie Barnard; dialogue, Phyllis Battle and Florence Woodruff; recitation, Kathy Battle; song, Margaret Renard and Verda Smith; recitation, Raynor Brewster; doll song, four girls; recitation, Winnie Haynes; recitation, Kenneth Malleck; recitation, Verda Smith; dialogue, five girls; carol, "Good King Wencelas"; song, Kathy Battle; God Save the King.

Rev. Dr. Sipprell officiated as chairman and other ministers present include Rev. A. de B. Owen, who referred to the part played by the late Bishop and Mrs. Cridge in the founding of the institution, Rev. H. Knox, who told the children a story of two Christmas trees, one in a wealthy childless home, the other in a humble cottage for a little boy, and Rev. J. Strachan. All conveyed their good wishes for the coming year to the children and the board.

SANTA CLAUS ARRIVES

At the conclusion of the programme Santa Claus, who arrived from David Spencer Limited, knocked at the door and [illegible] tots. He then proceeded to distribute from the beautifully decorated Christmas tree gifts to every child, including beautiful presents sent by the girls at the Central Telephone Exchange, while the Hiker Company also sent a large number of kiddy-cars, boats and other toys for the youngsters.

Mrs. C. H. Walker, president, Mrs. F. C. Dillabough and other members of the committee helped Santa Claus in his task. When the visitors left the children were engrossed in their new toys and enjoying the bags of candy and fruit which were distributed to each of the thirty-six little inmates, every member of the staff also being remembered by Santa Claus.

NAVAL MEN HOSTS AT CHILDREN'S PARTY

Christmas Tree and Jolly Entertainment at Barracks Yesterday

The dormitories and gymnasium of the Naval Barracks at Esquimalt presented an unwonted air of gaiety and rang with childish laughter yesterday afternoon when by kind permission of the senior naval officer, Commander Nelles, and under the direction of a committee including Lieut.-Commander Worth, president, and chief and petty officers and men of the naval service the annual Christmas party was held for the children of the navy yard.

Greenery, streamers and flags and bunting galore lent a festive air to the setting an dthe 785 children who were the guests of honor entered with zest into the entertainment arranged for them on a lavish scale. A number of electrical devices had been ingeniously arranged and the youngsters enjoyed rides on the joy wheel, the Ferris wheel and many other treats from 2.30 until 4 o'clock.

From 4 until 6 o'clock tea was served in one of the large dormitories, the prettily-decorated table being laden with all kinds of cakes and candies and fruit and other good things to which the youngsters did ample justice.

Santa Claus was a most welcome visitor, arriving in time-honored fashion via the chimney with an appropriate jingling of sleigh bells and proceeded to hand every child a present from the beautifully decorated tree. After the youngsters had been taken home and tucked into bed, their parents returned and wound up the day with a dance, which lasted until 1 a.m.

St. Alban's Silver Tea.—A silver tea will be held at St. Alban's Church Hall, Belmont and Ryan Streets, in aid of the school treat. Rev. J. W. Leighton will open the affair at 3 o'clock on January 4. There will be a good musical programme by the children, home cooking and candy stalls and a parcel post office.

Tweed Novelty

A tan tweed suit has a brown leather cape, hip-length, lined with the tweed and with tweed collar. The hat for the ensemble is tweed and leather.

SOCIETY

The usual New Year reception at Government House will be held on the afternoon of Monday, January 2, 1928, from 3 to 5 o'clock, when His Honor will be assisted by Miss Mackenzie in receiving their guests.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Bagley of Seattle, are spending a few days in Victoria.

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Miss Gwen Gillis, Linden Avenue, is visiting friends in Vancouver for a few days.

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Mr. D. F. McCannell of Vancouver is spending a few days in Victoria with his son, Mr. Kenneth McCannell.

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Capt. J. R. Kingham returned to Victoria this afternoon from Vancouver, where he has been spending the last few days.

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Miss Agnes Cartwright of Ganges, B.C., is spending a week at Metchosin the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford.

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Mr. and Mrs. Christy Cao of Vancouver, are spending the week in Victoria as the guests of Mrs. Cao's mother, Mrs. F. Topp Turner, Esquimalt.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hickcox and Miss Gracie Hickcox, of Tacoma, are spending some time in Victoria and are guests at the Empress Hotel.

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The district officer commanding and officers, Work Point Barracks, will be "at home" in their mess on Monday, January 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Chetham, Langley Street, returned to Victoria on Tuesday from Vancouver, after spending Christmas there as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Branson.

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Lieut.-Col. Eric Pepler and Mrs. Pepler have returned to their home in Vancouver after spending the Christmas here as the guests of Mrs. Claire Fitzgibbon.

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Miss Helen Peterson, R.N., daughter of Mr. William Peterson, Niagara Street, has arrived from Vancouver to take a position on the nursing staff of the Duncan Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Clothier of Nanaimo will spend the New Year weekend in Victoria as the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Kingham, Belmont Avenue.

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Mr. James Lawrence of Vancouver will spend the New Year week-end in Victoria as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lawrence, Island Road, Oak Bay.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Macleod, 1320 Vimy Avenue, will leave at the beginning of the New Year for Los Angeles and other points in California for a three months' holiday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Campbell of Portland, Oregon, arrived in Victoria on Wednesday on a visit to the latter's mother, Mrs. Justine Gilbert, Douglas Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rowlands, Phoenix Place, accompanied by their grandchildren the Misses Ray and [illegible] afternoon for [illegible] week here.

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Mrs. H. R. N. Cobbett entertained at a children's party on Wednesday afternoon at her home on Barnard Road, in honor of her daughter, Miss Elise Cobbett, at which twenty-four guests were present.

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Miss Margaret Armstrong, who is training in the Vancouver General Hospital, will spend New Year's in Victoria as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Armstrong, Gladstone Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brougham arrived in the city to-day to attend the fancy dress dance which Major and Mrs. Selden Humphreys will give at "Westover," Shasta Avenue, on New Year's Eve.

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Miss Annie Blanche Shelby of Portland, Oregon, nationally known as an authority on auction bridge and a Work-Whitehead radio player, is spending the holidays in Victoria. She is registered at the Empress Hotel.

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Mr. H. F. Kergin, M.P.P. for Atlin, has arrived in the city to join Mrs. Kergin and family who have been here for some months. He will remain for the Legislative session which opens on January 24.

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Mr. Harry Crane of Victoria was among the guests at the dinner given in Vancouver on Wednesday evening by Miss Betty Burns in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Seligman of New York.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Todd entertained last evening at their home, Island Road, Oak Bay, in honor of their daughter, Miss Marjorie Todd, and Miss Jean Gillespie of Sooke, at a dance at which over thirty guests were present.

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Mrs. M. Rider entertained during the Christmas week-end at her home, "Mallowmot," Sidney, when her guests were Col. and Mrs. Carey, Miss Betty Carey, Miss Peggy Carey, Mr. W. J. Taylor, Mrs. Ponton, Miss Ponton and Rex Carey.

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The Rev. and Mrs. G. Arthur Bagshaw of "Firabout," Parksville, V.I., announce the engagement of their younger daughter, Marjorie Maria, to Keith Lyon Sidney, younger son of Mrs. E. Warren Spark and the late Mr. I. Sidney Spark of Sydney, Australia.

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The senior gym. class of the Y.W.C.A. spent a very pleasant evening on Tuesday in the "Y" gymnasium, when the losing team entertained the winners. Games were played and dainty refreshments were served. Thanks are extended to Miss Bradshaw and Miss Miller for their kind assistance.

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Mrs. Chator Payne and Master Teddy Payne of Vancouver, who have been spending a short time in Victoria as the guests of Mrs. Payne's father, Mr. E. E. Blackwood, Linden Avenue, returned last night to their home on the mainland.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Hunter, Moss Street, entertained last evening at a delightful dance at the Empress Hotel in honor of their daughter and son, Miss Mary Hunter and Mr. Douglas Hunter. Professor Heaton's orchestra supplied the popular dance music to which about two hundred guests danced.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie entertained the indoor and outdoor staff of Government House at a dance last evening, to which the friends of members of the staff were invited, about fifty being present. His Honor and Miss Mackenzie received their guests in the drawing-room, after which dancing took place in the ballroom. Len Acres provided the music for the modern dances, while Pipe-Major Wishart on the bagpipes supplied the music for the Highland reels, quadrilles, schottisches, and other old-fashioned dances which were a feature of the programme. Between dances a programme was given to which Mrs. Slark contributed songs, Miss Molly Graham recitations, and Messrs. Woods and Seddon, songs. Supper was served in the dining-room, the table being beautifully decorated with Christmas trees and other seasonable decorations.

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The marriage of Katrina Margaret Patricia, second daughter of Gavin Hamilton Burns of Victoria, and Thomas G. Keir, son of Rev. David Keir of Aukersyde, Crookston, Scotland, took place in Montreal on Wednesday, December 21. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Donald of St. Andrew's and St. Paul's at the home of Miss Burns, aunt of the bride, 332 Oliver Avenue, Westmount, in the presence of immediate relatives and friends of the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Keir intend to make their home in Montreal.

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Oak Bay Chapter, O.E.S., held a Christmas tree party, which was attended by the children of members and a few little visitors, on Wednesday, December 28. Supper was served at 5.30 p.m., after which the children played many games until Santa Claus arrived and found on the tree a present and a bag of candy for every child present. Then Santa presented to Mrs. Robertson, W.M., a beautiful traveling case which was a farewell gift from her officers and members of the past year. The happy evening was ended with music and dancing.

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At "Breadalbane," Windsor Road, on December 27, Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mrs. Edith May Timothy and Mr. George Stanley Smith, both of this city. A few intimate friends of the couple were present, and Mrs. Waldron acted as matron of honor, while Mr. Elmer Hume supported the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party adjourned to the home of the bridegroom's aunt, Mrs. S. L. Smith, Cambridge Street, where the reception was held. After a honeymoon up the Island, Mr. and Mrs. Smith will leave for Spokane, where they will visit the bride's mother, and on their return will make their home in Victoria.

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Mrs. M. G. Moore will entertain this evening at her home on St. Charles Street at a dance in honor of Miss Gracia Stone Hickcox, of Tacoma, and her daughter, Miss Ruth Moore. The guests will include Miss Hickcox, the Misses Betty Bechtel, Jean Lennox, Jane McCallum, Lota Mackay, Joe Rithet, Kathleen Wilson, Peggy and Jean Thomas, Marjorie Todd, Jean Gillespie, Messrs. John Bushby, Kenneth Boorman, Ronnie Hotham, Jack Hamlet, John Heisterman, Bruce Humber, Bobby Mabee, Duncan Robertson, Allan Phillips, Donald Braidwood, Frank Morris and Graham Lawson.

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Miss Iris Kirby entertained at a dance party Tuesday evening at the home of her mother, Mr. F. Kirby, 1137 North Park Street, in honor of Mr. Alf Slocomb of Prince Rupert B.C. The invited guests included Miss L. Boston, Mrs. S. Hawkins, Catherine McDonald, Violet Kirby, Winnie Knapton, Betty Shadbolt, Audrey Kinsman, Lilian Kirby, U. Abbot, Gwen Fraser, Dorothy Neary, Kathleen Abbott, Iris Kirby, Dorothy Parsons, Mrs. Kirby, Messrs. A. F. Slocomb, S. Hawkins, G. Massey, Dr. Beales, C. Kirby, S. Fraser, B. Neary, N. stewart, C. Copeland, D. Johnson, Dr. Gosse (Prince Rupert), T. Mallett, W Cotton, J. Shadbolt, and A. G. Slocomb.

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The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, who is also the grandson of Mrs. Don. Robertson, W.M., was christened by the Rev. Clem Davis, to whom the child was handed by Miss Irene Smith, sister of the father, on Monday, December 19, in the Eastern Star Hall, Redfern Street, at the meeting of the Oak Bay Chapter. Baby Robert Donald was then presented with a silver cup from the officers and members of the chapter, and many presents from private friends. Mrs. Robertson, who is leaving for Portland, Ore., to-day where she is to join her husband and take up residence, was presented with a beautiful Madeira tablecloth as a parting remembrance from her officers.

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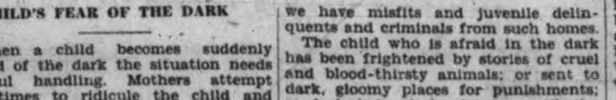
Among the many guests who will spend New Year's Eve at Grouse Mountain Chalet, Vancouver, are: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spohn, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Horie, Mr. Newhall, Mr. Merriam, Mr. Lorne Wood, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. MacLean, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fremlin, Major and Mrs. Erlbach, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Chator, Miss Christie of Victoria, Dr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Harold Colpman of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. A. Tripp, Mr. A. G. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Kirkland, Dr. C. H. C. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cochrane, Mr. George Benson and Mr. and Mrs. H. Mathrop.

YOUR BABY and MINE

by MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED



Mrs. Eldred will we glad to answer all questions pertaining to babies and children. A stamped and self-addressed envelope forwarded to this office will bring a personal reply.

A CHILD'S FEAR OF THE DARK

When a child becomes suddenly afraid of the dark the situation needs careful handling. Mothers attempt sometimes to ridicule the child and try and make him ashamed of his fears. "Don't be a little coward," they say disgustedly, "look how brave and manly Sydney is." Instead of eradicating the fear, the poor child, hating to be shamed, tries to hide his terror, and it stays within, laying up stores of future conflicts for him.

To spank a child for screaming because he is left alone in the dark is cruel and useless. That is no way to help him have confidence that dark has no terrors. We aren't discussing babies you know, who cry when left alone, not from fear, because they should have none, but older children, who suddenly develop fears. I often feel that the only method many mothers know to handle any problem is with the switch. They seem to feel that whipping corrects everything, while in my estimation it makes situations worse, for it adds anger and a sense of injustice and pain to whatever was wrong in the first place. When I think of those switch-bearing mothers with their cruel methods of spanking and slapping and whipping bewildered, helpless and terrified children, I am filled with horror. No wonder we have misfits and juvenile delinquents and criminals from such homes.

The child who is afraid in the dark has been frightened by stories of cruel and blood-thirsty animals; or sent to dark, gloomy places for punishments; or locked in dark closets, until the dark has become associated in his mind with pain and terror. Small babies may have suggested to them that the dark is fearful, by a conscientious or cowardly mother who hurries to light a dark room.

Take your child in a room when it is growing dark and tell him comfortable, happy stories. Point out and laugh at the queer shapes the furniture assumes as it grows dark, and then light the lights and show him everything as it was before. The difference was the trick played by his eyes. Press his eyeball lightly and let him see that he seems to see "red," or bright sparks. He'll understand how this happens then when he digs unhappy fists into his eyes, and later comes up from under cover to see the room full of sparks and color.

Don't force him to be brave. Show him patiently that there is nothing to fear and never tell him anything of a frightening nature. Children have no experience and what is merely silly to us, may be horrible and terrifying to them. Blame yourself if he is afraid. That's a good standpoint from which to make progress.

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Dinner — Broiled Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, spinach in lemond butter, cider salad, peaches, milk, coffee.

Cider Salad

One tablespoon granulated gelatine, 4 tablespoons cold water, 1 1-2 cups sweet cider, 2 tablespoons lemon juice, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1-2 cup nut meats, 1-2 cup finely diced celery, 1-2 cup seeded white raisins, lettuce, salad dressing.

Soften gelatine in cold water. Heat cider with salt and sugar to the boiling point and pour over softened gelatine. Stir until dissolved and add lemond juice. Let stand until cool and beginning to thicken. Add nuts, celery and grapes skinned and seeded. Turn into a mold and let stand on ice until chilled and firm. Serve on a bed of lettuce with a cooked salad dressing.

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AT THE THEATRES

CLEVER DANCING IS BIG FEATURE OF PLAYHOUSE PANTO.

"Princess Charming," the Playhouse pantomime, is delighting many hundreds of Victoria children during the week who will remember for a long time the beautiful princess who was saved by a very modern prince who rescued her in an aeroplane. The fun in this pantomime is fast and furious and a greatly admired feature has been the clever dancing by Lela Doharty and her smart, well-rehearsed chorus. Brilliant settings, elaborate dresses and many tuneful songs make this a show of outstanding merit and one which has been greatly appreciated by the large audiences attending. With the stage show is the fine comedy classic on the screen with Harry Langdon in "Three's a Crowd," the entire programme lasting over three hours. Seats in the reserved section for the last three performances can be obtained in advance. To-night at 7 and to-morrow at 2.30 and 7 will be the last opportunities to see this big holiday entertainment offering.

Arthur D. Ripley, who created the story of "Three's a Crowd," Harry Langdon's new laugh classic, rounds out his fourth year of association with the star this month. He was assigned to the Langdon unit when Harry first started making two-reelers, and continued as literary advisor when Harry began making big features for First National pictures. Ripley's latest comedy is showing this week at the Playhouse.

Where To Go To-night

Columbia—"Rough Riders."
Capitol—"Rose of the Golden West."
Dominion—"She's a Sheik."
Variety—"McFadden's Flat."
Coliseum—"My Princess," pantomime.
Playhouse — "Princess Charming," pantomime.
Crystal Garden—Dancing and swimming.

SCREEN'S MEANEST MAN IS MUCH IN DEMAND BY PRODUCERS

DeWitt Jennings, in the cast of "McFadden's Flats," a First National picture, now at the Variety is vice-president of the Writers' Club of Hollywood. Jenning is one of the screen's "meanest" men and is much sought by producers who have particularly heavy roles.

WAITED MONTHS TO CAST WESTERNERS INTO NEW PICTURE

George Fitzmaurice waited six months to film "Rose of the Golden West," now at the Capitol Theatre, the most important picture he has made since he signed a contract with First National Pictures, in order to assemble the five persons who comprise the featured cast.

As he first read this romance that decided the fate of California, when three world powers were contesting for its possession, Fitzmaurice mentally selected the members of the cast. He decided that Mary Astor's slim young beauty was necessary for the role of Elena.

The stage specialty for this week at the Capitol Theatre is the big Christmas pantomime entitled "The Old Lady Who Lived In a Shoe," a gorgeous stage specialty that is proving popular. The pantomime is full of comedy, wonderful singing and dancing. The musical score for the show is under the baton of Al. Prescott, director of the Capitol concert orchestra.

DIRECTOR LAUGHS AT AMUSING PART OF FILM-MAKING

Clarence Badger, who directed Bebe Daniels in Paramount's "She's a Sheik," which is now playing at the Dominion Theatre, is known as the "chuckling" director. He does not use a megaphone while instructing the players during a scene and chuckles quietly at every bit of funny action.

During the filming of "She's a Sheik" Miss Daniels threatened to charge him admission when he appeared on the set because, she said, "It seemed better than a circus to him."

BIG PROGRAMME FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE AT PLAYHOUSE THEATRE

An excellent programme containing novelties and surprises and featuring community singing will be staged for the New Year's Eve midnight matinee at the Playhouse, where an excellent programme will be given by the company playing in the pantomime and by other artists specially engaged. Paper streamers and other novelties will be provided together with community song sheets, and at midnight proceedings will end with "Auld Lang Syne," and a special stage spectacle will usher in the New Year. Tickets for this merry revel may be purchased in advance.

IN PANTOMIME

GABY MARSHALL

talented little dancer, who is appearing at the Capitol in a novelty creation arranged by Veronine Vestoff.

GOVERNOR WATCHES SCENE-MAKING FOR BIG EPIC PICTURE

The governor of a great state recently drove nearly 200 miles to spend a few minutes in viewing scenes being made for a wholly American picture, one that is bound up with the spirit of patriotism and the life of an immortal, Theodore Roosevelt.

He was invited by Director Victor Fleming to the camp where the original Rough Riders assembled and trained in 1898. The picture is showing at the Columbia Theatre. Hermann Hagedorn, Roosevelt's biographer, wrote the story.

GAY'S FAMED OLD "BEGGAR'S OPERA" OPENS TO-MORROW

"The Beggar's Opera," a musical satire on politics and criminal laws, set to old English, Scotch and Irish ballads, opens at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-night with a matinee and evening performance Saturday. It is produced under the direction of J. C. [illegible] for the two hundredth anniversary tour of Canada from the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, London, where it enjoyed a run of over four solid years. The cast is headed by Sylvia Nelis as Polly Peachum, and George Baker as Capt. Macheath, and consists mainly of the original London company which revived the play.

The play, written by John Gay in 1728, has a tavern for a background. Its heroes and heroines are knaves, criminals and ladies of the town. It is intended as a satire on the laws and customs of the time when graft was everywhere prevalent, especially in the courts of justice. The opera was supposedly written by a beggar who appears in the prologue and boasts that his play is different from those in vogue, "that it contains neither an honest man or an honest woman, but that all is human."

Gay took for his plot the history of a famous highwayman, a Capt. Macheath, portrayed by George Baker. Norman Williams impersonates Peachum, the receiver of stolen goods, a character drawn from a well-known politician of the day; Charles Magrath takes the part of Lockit, the jailer, who extorts money from his unfortunate prisoners for chains of lighter weight; Alfred Heather is Filch, the accomplice and "stool-pigeon" of Peachum's; Miss Sylvia Nelis is Polly Peachum, the informer's daughter, who is in love with Capt. Macheath, despite his other love affair and gallant adventures on the highways; Cecilia Turrill takes the part of Lucy Lockit, the daughter of the jailer and the rival of Polly in the affections of Macheath; Mrs. Peachum is admirably played by Lena Maitland; the ladies of the town and the members of Macheath's band are distinct types.

The ladies' orchestra is conducted by Sebastian Unglada.

CHEMAINUS GIVEN STREET LIGHTING

Victoria Lumber Co. to Erect and Operate Modern Lights at Street Intersections

Chemainus, Dec. 30.—Chemainus is receiving a New Year's gift of a street lighting service, a donation from the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company Limited, who operate here the largest lumber manufacturing plant on Vancouver Island, employing nearly 300 men.

The installation will consist of twenty-five modern lights hung from poles located at the major street intersections and at points of importance in the business section of the town. The location of the lights has been planned to give the entire town an efficient service.

In addition to giving Chemainus its first public lighting system, the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company Limited will supply, free of charge, all power required for operation of the service.

WHITE BREAD AND BLACK

Heartaches at the End for Young Violinist of Genius After His New York Debut

New York, Dec. 30.—"White bread and black" well might title Micha Weisbord's saga of heartaches. Weisbord is a twenty-year-old Russian violinist—a genius of the violin, critics said after his first New York concert.

He had Julian Goldman, millionaire merchant, as a sponsor for the concert, and he played a $30,000 violin given him by Goldman.

Weisbord originally was "Weisbrod"—white bread. For two hundred years in the village of Kowarsk in Russia, Micha's ancestors were millers.

THE MILL-WHEEL'S MELODY

"They listened to the music of the mill-wheel and loved it," said Micha. "As the water rushed through it they heard gavottes and love-songs. When my father cut through the ice in Winter to release its music he heard stranger melodies.

"When I was born he decided that I should interpret the mill-song which my family had loved two centuries. He bought me a little white violin when I was three years old. It cost one rouble. It was quite different from my Guarnerine."

The Guarnerine is the $30,000 violin given him by Goldman.

THE MASTERS HEAR HIM

When still a baby boy Weisbord was playing folk-songs and dances for all the country-side. News of his skill reached St. Petersburg. Here the masters Glazounow and Auer invited him to compete for entrance to the conservatory, and placed him in the high class. When he was nine he played for the Czar.

The dark, six-foot genius was naive when he told about this. His brown eyes shone.

"They told me to bow low and say 'Your Majesty,'" he said. "I remember when I finished playing they gave me a plate of biscuits and something to drink. The glass and the plates had gold rims and were marked N. II. I was such a little boy!"

THE DARK DAYS DAWN

Then the revolution put an end to gold-rimmed china and "N. II.," the mark of Czar Nicholas. The millers' descendant began to eat black bread. Weisbord's teacher Auer fled into Harbin, Manchuria. But Micha remained in Petrograd with his parents, two brothers, and sister, giving concerts for the Red soldiers. His concert receipts were bits of black bread and mouldy crusts.

"Do you know what it is like, that black bread? It is half potatoes and half oats—like you feed to horses. The sharp ends of the oats stick in your mouth. It makes the gums drop away from your teeth."

Micha's plucky father, Alexander, who had been a cornetist in the Russian navy, guarded his "wunder-kind" as best he could. He sometimes got a pint of milk for him, by pleading that his wife was the mother of a new baby. He entertained soldiers with sleight-of-hand tricks at their meals and spirited bits of bread up his sleeve to take home.

A STRANGE CONCERT TOUR

Now started a strange concert tour through towns made topsy-turvy by war. At Saratof soldiers reeking with blood listened in dismantled halls to the little boy in the dirty blouse. The family made a heart-breaking trek of one month to Ufa in filthy cattle-cars, always toward the great objective—bread.

"The cars were divided into five tiers of boards," said Micha. "One could barely sit up to breathe the air which came through two small holes. As we were bitterly cold we tore down a board each day to make a fire. We were so smoked-up we looked like negroes. Babies were born there."

At Ufa, where they lodged in the foyer of a bank with hundreds of others, all the children came down with typhus. The supple white fingers of the young violinist burned with fever—warm at last. But he lived through it, while many, many others died.

HOW HE PRACTICED

"Finally we found a room for the six of us," Weisbord told. "My father got fire-wood by stealing the paling from around the park at night. That was to keep my fingers warm enough to practice six hours a day. The smoke hurt my eyes so that I could not see the music, but he said 'play without the notes.' The Reds liked me. They pinned their colors on me and said I was a great soldier.

"Often I saw condemned persons digging their graves and being shot down into them when the holes were deep enough.

"My father decided to escape with me into Harbin, for I was paler and thinner every day. I wore a dead soldier's coat and hat. Day by day we hoarded our provisions for the journey, morsels of black bread, toasted. When we had a sack of them we left."

WHITE BREAD AT LAST

The family finally escaped to Brussels through India. Micha played for royalty in Europe and had honors but no money. Ysaye was his friend. His chance came at a concert in Sweden.

An American heard him and cabled to Julian Goldman, a patron of music, that he had made a find. Goldman came, listened, and brought Weisbord to America. So Micha is eating his white bread now. But—

"We have suffered so much," said Micha, "that nothing matters any more, except the violin. My G string—ah! It makes me think of red velvet—a pipe and a fire when it's raining outside—and the mill-wheel."

MICHA WEISBORD

FORMER PROFESSOR KILLED

Chicago, Dec. 30—Solomon Clark, sixty-five, emeritus professor of the University of Chicago, was killed yesterday when struck by a street car.

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Feature of 1927 Development Has Been in Long Distance Service

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The feature of telephone development during 1927, so far as Vancouver Island is concerned, has been in the long-distance branch of the service.

When the year began there were three telephone cables tying the Island to the mainland. Now another has been added, meeting the increase in long-distance business.

Commercially and socially, Vancouver and Victoria are very close together, and the telephone is widely used for communication between the two cities. At the beginning of 1927, two telephone cables stretched from Point Grey to Nanaimo. Land lines reaching up from Victoria met these cables

The two cables were not adequate, and so the B.C. Telephone Company placed new circuits by another route, this time from Point Grey to Victoria by way of Salt Spring and Galiano Islands, the line coming into Victoria along the Saanich Peninsula. At the same time the Gulf Islands got improved long-distance communication with Vancouver Island and the mainland by a tapping of the new circuits.

In addition to the three cables to Vancouver, there is one reaching from Victoria to Bellingham for traffic to American points.

HOW IT WORKS

Present-day long-distance service is only possible because of the development of the telephone "repeaters," a sort of electrical lunch counter where the voice currents receive new strength from time to time during their journeys. During 1927 repeaters were installed at Nanaimo to give improved transmission of the circuits which extended between Vancouver and Victoria by way of that community.

Vancouver Island people are not concerned with telephone developments on Vancouver Island alone, for they are affected, for example, by such work as the construction of the circuit to Kamloops from the coast, and the still more recent extension of this circuit on to Vernon, where it taps the system of the Okanagan Telephone Company, serving the Okanagan Valley. This display of enterprise on the part of the B. C. Telephone Company means that Vancouver Island residents can now talk to Kamloops and also points in the Okanagan territory.

MARK OF PROGRESS

The most important telephone growth on Vancouver Island during 1927 has been recorded in Victoria, where the 15,000-mark has been passed. The Telephone Company will lengthen the Victoria local switchboard within a short time, the work having already been approved.

The Nanaimo telephone building was extensively altered and improved during the year, its exterior being completely changed. Building improvements were also made to a number of the small Island exchanges. The switchboard at Ladysmith was enlarged.

Numerous poles along the long-distance lines which extend up the Island as far as Campbell River and also across to Port Alberni were replaced during the year.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Encouraging success was met with by a canvasser sent into certain of the Up-island communities to obtain new subscribers where the facilities were already available. Nanaimo alone signing up fifty new telephones.

The Victoria exchange continues to rank high among the offices of the B.C. Telephone Company in the quality of service given at the switchboard. This part of the work is under Miss E. Trickey, chief operator, who reports to Miss E. R. Walker, district traffic supervisor in charge of Vancouver Island offices.

The plant department's portion of the work, which is the installation and maintenance of inside and outside "plant" (the telephone man's word for equipment of various kinds) is in the capable hands of U. J. Dunlop, district superintendent at Victoria, and W. R. Jones, district plant chief at Nanaimo. Mr. Dunlop's territory extends from Victoria to the Malahat, while Mr. Jones has the remainder of the company's system on the Island. It is freely conceded that Mr. Jones has the most difficult district in the whole of the system, because of the various troubles which can befall the many miles of long-distance circuits. Snow, sleet and wind are the Winter enemies which continually harass Mr. Jones and his men.

The commercial relations between public and company are entrusted to F. C. Paterson, district commercial superintendent, whose never failing courtesy and good nature have won for him a host of friends.

HUNDRED THOUSANDTH TELEPHONE INSTALLED IN VANCOUVER

One of the unique features of the Vancouver ceremonies which followed the installation of the B.C. Telephone Company's hundred thousandth telephone on Tuesday morning was the initiation of Mayor L. D. Taylor and W. J. Blake Wilson as honorary members of the telephone fraternity by the operating staff. Mr. Wilson placed the first call from the new telephone, ringing up the Mayor. Principals in the above picture are, left to right: G. H. Halse, president of the B.C. Telephone Company; Mayor Taylor; Miss Florence Tardiff, the operator who handled the first call from the hundred thousandth telephone; Miss H. L. Montgomery, Seymour chief operator, who performed the initiation ceremony; W. J. Blake Wilson, and James Hamilton, general manager of the B.C. Telephone Company. The Mayor and Mr. Wilson are wearing the headsets symbolic of telephone operating. Inset is the silver vase which Mr. Hamilton presented to Mr. Wilson on behalf of the company. It is surmounted by the mouthpiece from the hundred thousandth telephone.

INSANE COSTING CANADA MILLIONS

Asylums Filled With 24,000 Patients at One Count Recently, Says Expert

Canada pays $9,000,000 annually for the maintenance of persons suffering from mental maladies and insanity, according to D. M. LeBourdais, director of the division of education, Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene, who was a visitor here at the offices of the Premier and others to arrange for an address date in the near future.

He intends to come here in January or February to speak to a Victoria audience, having laid plans for this work yesterday.

Mental diseases were still shrouded, says Mr. LeBourdais, with a sort of superstition, as far as the general public was concerned. Through the ages insanity was made a subject of jest. It was not more than twenty-five years ago that efforts were made to treat it seriously.

HUGE PROPORTION

There are more mental patients in Canadian hospitals than there are ordinary patients in general hospitals, exclusive of maternity cases. At one time recently an approximate count gave the number of mental patients in institutions in Canada at about 24,000.

BETTER CONDITIONS

The British Columbia Government had improved conditions in this Province and were to be complimented on the work they had done caring for mental defectives, said Mr. LeBourdais. The Government commission on mental hygiene was doing extremely valuable work, he added.

PILOT—Harry Brooks, with thousands of hours of flying to his credit, was the veteran chosen as Mrs. Lindbergh's pilot on her flight from Detroit to Mexico City.

Sidney United Church Burns Hall Mortgage

Sidney, Dec. 30.—The burning of the mortgage on Wesley Hall in celebration of payment of the debt on the property, was occasion on Tuesday evening for a joyous celebration by members and friends of Sidney United Church, Wesley Hall being filled to capacity with spectators.

The formal burning of the mortgage followed presentation of a musical programme, featuring dulcimer selections by Mr. McIntosh, saxophone numbers by Reg. Beswick, vocal solos by Miss Kathleen Lowe and Rev. W. M Lees, reading of Dickens's "Christmas Carol" by J. F. Simister, and a contest wherein prizes were awarded Mrs. B. Deacon and Mrs. E. Blackburn.

Rev. Mr. Lees gave a brief review of the work of the church, giving praise to the members of the Ladies' Aid for their success in redemption of the mortgage, and to the We Try class for assistance in the campaign.

The mortgage was then formally burned by Mrs. Simister, president of the Ladies' Aid; James Bryce, past trustee, and J. T. Taylor, supported by Rev. Mr. Lees.

Following the Doxology, the Ladies' Aid served an excellent supper.

Mrs. Owen Thomas has as her guests her mother, Mrs. Clowes, and brother, Brian, of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Lidgate, Fourth Street, have invited members of the Sidney Social Club and their friends to a card party on Wednesday evening, January 4.

Miss Muriel Carruthers of Vancouver is visiting their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Mounce, The Orchard.

Mrs. J. C. McNeil has as guests for the Christmas holidays her mother and sister, Mrs. and Miss Dyers, of Fulford Harbor.

The monthly meeting of the North Saanich branch of the Canadian Legion will be held in Matthew's Hall Thursday evening, January 5, at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel of Seattle are spending the Christmas holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White, "Minola."

The regular meeting of the Allies Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held at the home of Mrs. Taylor, Bradly Dyne, on Thursday, January 5, at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Dorothy Armstrong of Vancouver is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. McNeil, Fourth Street.

PHYSICIAN HELD ON CHARGE OF MURDER

In Los Angeles Dr. C. M. McMillan Accused of Having Killed Mrs. A. Appleby

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Dr. Charles M. McMillan, a physician, is in custody here to-day on a charge of having murdered Mrs. Amelia Appleby, whose body was found sewed in a canvas sack near the Mulholland Drive, just outside the city limits, Monday.

The arrest was made last night by the homicide squad of the sheriff's office. The arresting officers declared they found McMillan in his apartment with all of Mrs. Appleby's private papers spread out on a sheet on the floor. They declared he was going over the papers when they entered the apartment.

He had lived with Mrs. Appleby, the officers declared, and had taken a trip east with her last Summer.

It is known the woman possessed valuable property, including an apartment house in Chicago, and the officers said the motive of the murder was the desire of her accused slayer to obtain title to this.

The physician held the woman's power of attorney and had acted as her agent for some time. Among the papers seized was a will written in pencil and drawn in favor of the physician.

Doukhobors Add Electrical Power For Their Factories

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—The expansion and modernization of industrial plants operated by the Doukhobor communities in Canada and fostering of native traditions in the homes and schools of the sect are planned by Peter Verigin, their leader, according to an announcement he made here last night.

Mr. Verigin is here completing arrangements for the installation of electrical power central stations at Verigin and Kylmer, Sask., Kayley, Alta., and Brilliant and Grand Forks, B.C. The power to be developed will be used for the operation of mills, elevators, brickyards and jam factories owned by the Doukhobors in the prairie and coast provinces.

Mr. Verigin last night expressed his approval of all co-operative farm movements, and intimated the possibility of his followers joining the wheat pool and other corporative organizations in Western Canada.

All the native arts and handicrafts are to be extended. A great central library is to be established for the use of the various communities. A Russian press is to be established in the communities next year.

"I like Canada and I will bring as many of my people from Russia as possible," Mr. Verigin added. "The movement from Russia will commence as soon as suitable land is obtained."

JUST BEFORE MRS. LINDBERGH EMBARKED—This picture was taken just before Mrs. Evangeline Lodge Lindbergh, mother of Colonel Charles Lindbergh, stepped into the Stout all-metal aeroplane to begin her journey to Mexico City to join her son for Christmas. Left to right are Henry Ford and Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Lindbergh, Edsel Ford, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Stout, the mechanic Harry Russell, the pilot Harry Brooks and Luis Lejus, the Ford dealer in Mexico City.

OAK BAY MAKING RAPID PROGRESS

Greater in Last Twelve Months Than Ever Before, Declares Reeve Anscomb

Retiring Reeve Gives Account of Stewardship During Year at Meeting

"Progress in Oak Bay has probably been greater during the last twelve months than at any other time. Building permits in the municipality were $521,000 during the year. On the same basis of development, the city's permits should have amounted to $4,000,000 and over," stated Reeve Herbert Anscomb in giving account of his stewardship before a meeting of ratepayers in the Municipal Hall last night.

Reeve Anscomb, who after three successive years in office is retiring from Oak Bay municipal life, was given a fine ovation at the meeting, and was the recipient of much commendation and many congratulations.

In opening his address, Reeve Anscomb referred to the acquisition of Walbran Park by the municipality. "We have secured for all time one of the highest pieces of land in the district," he said.

HOSPITAL COSTS

Increases from $1,450 to $3,000 in hospital costs from 1926 were explained by Reeve Anscomb by the fact that the municipality was forced to pay seventy cents for every municipal patient going to the hospital, whereas previously there was only a charge for indigent patients. The clause of residence in this act was not quite clear, he added.

An added cost to the municipality was the $1,000 fund which must be kept to provide for compensation to sheepowners whose animals were killed by dogs. This was not really necessary in Oak Bay, a residential municipality.

SOLDIER HOUSING

With regard to soldier housing, Mr Anscomb explained the government plan for building homes for returned soldiers. In Oak Bay, he said, of eight houses built only three were in good standing, arrears for two, six, ten and forty-four months being owed on the others. "But there is always a howl if you try to take any action in this connection," he said.

The Reeve then outlined several by-laws passeed during the year, referring to the zoning by-law, the sign and fence by-law and the superannuation scheme for municipal employees.

SCHOOL ADDITION

The addition to the Monterey Avenue School was necessary, Mr. Anscomb stated, in explaining the expenditure of $10,000 in this matter. With regard to a new high school proposed for Oak Bay he said:

On the question of its necessity I am naturally not competent to speak, having no figures before me, but I do say to you under no circumstances vote for an expensive building running into a cost of $150,000 or $200,000. Make them plan a plain but inexpensive timber or stucco construction that will last the lifetime of the present generation, thereby spreading the cost over all the people to be benefited and then spread the cost over a goodly portion of its estimated life.

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Fire protection, for which the municipality paid charges to the city, was not at present all it should be, the Reeve continued. They had only second call on the Dutchess Street station, whereas if they had their own equipment they could have first call and in the event of a large conflagration or two fires at the same time, they could get aid from the city at a stated cost per run.

The speaker then outlined the sewer agreement, referring to the arrangment with Saanich for connection charges of $20 and $100 for those whose houses were built before the big trunk sewers were installed and for those who houses were built afterwards.

SEAWALL

In reference to the sea wall on Beach Drive, he stated Engineer Richardson wished to study the sea's action for one Winter before proceeding with construction which had been dropped when the previous engineer resigned.

The Reeve took a very decided stand on the matter of racing fees. After reviewing past history in connection with the legislature and fees he declared:

"I took the position (and again I desire to make myself clear, as the council was not unanimous), that we were not interested in the system of betting—other than to see that a system at least satisfactory to the Government was in operation and the pari-mutuel system is agreeable to the Government, that if the city could afford to lose the difference between $7,000 per week and $2,100 per week, we were not in that fortunate position, and we decided to raise our fee to $1,500.

"I would like it clearly understood, that if the Agricultural Association ever again take over the permit, then I for one would be very willing that they should only be charged $500, as you then have the money going to the development of agriculture, but if it is as at present in private hands then it is a distinctly different problem."

WATER DISPUTE

The water question then came under the reeve's discussion. He gave great credit to Mr. Pattullo for his evident fairness to all parties in the water dispute.

"We will save $40,000 over the next five years in this connection," he asserted.

In conclusion, Reeve Anscomb thanked the councilors for their co-operation and earnest endeavors during his tenure of office, and the help he had received from the residents of Oak Bay.

Alcohol Deaths in Cities of Russia

Moscow, Dec. 30.—Christmas celebrations in Moscow were marked by a greater consumption of alcohol and hooliganism than any other holiday since the Soviet revolution, although the younger generation everywhere appeared to maintain a sober and quiet demeanor, in contrast with their elders.

Thirty deaths in Moscow and twenty-four in Leningrad, besides casualties at other points not fully reported, are stated to have been caused by the unusually heavy consumption of vodka and wine.

while 102 were treated in hospital for knife wounds or other injuries suffered in fights.

Luxton

Luxton, Dec. 29—Miss Alice Madders is home for the Christmas holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Trace Jr. and family, also Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Livingstone, are guests of Mrs. Mary Cooper during the holiday season.

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Miss Emily Wright was at "The Maples," the home of her parents, for Christmas.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. Betts are spending the holidays in Victoria, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson.

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An "old time" dance will be held in the Luxton Hall on January 6, arranged by Lady Emily Walker of "Rafley," East Booke. A good orchestra will be in attendance and refreshments will be served. Everybody welcome.

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The thanks of the communit at Luxton are extended to the following in connection with the children's annual Christmas tree and entertainment: To the ladies who decorated the hall; to those who assisted with the programme; to the chairman; to Mr. J. Trace for so ably acting the part of Santa Claus; to the teacher, Mr. Bruce; to Messrs. David Spencer Limited for gifts of toys, and to Messrs. Scott and Peden for donations of fruit; also to all others who had helped in any way to make the evening such a delightful success.

DR. DAVIES TO BLESS OFFICIALS' LABORS

Lieutenant-Governor and City Fathers to Attend Sunday Service

An announcement from the Victoria City Temple states that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Helen Mackenzie, Mayor J. C. Pendray, city aldermen, police commissioners and members of the Board of School Trustees will all attend the Sunday evening services conducted by Rev. Dr. Clem Davies, seeking the Divine blessing on their official labors for the year.

Dr. Davies will preach on "Closed Doors of 1927—Open Doors of 1928."

Ancient Coffin Is Found in England

London, Dec. 30.—Discovery near Rainham, Essex, of a stone coffin estimated at between 3,000 and 4,000 years old, containing fragments of two skeletons, is reported. Portions of skulls and a horn drinking vessel were also in the coffin, which was hewn from a solid slab.

The lid is five inches thick and the walls four inches thick.

The discovery was made in a locality where pottery declared by scientists to date from 2,000 B.C. had previously been found.

TO SAVE HORSES

Rochester, N.Y., Dec. 30.—Discovery of the bacteria believed to cause "moon blindness" in horses and which has resulted in the deaths of many valuable horses is announced by Dr. Edward C. Rosenow of the Mayo Foundation, Rochester, Minn. It may be possible to produce a serum to stop spread of the disease, Dr. Rosenow told a meeting of the Society of American Bacteriologists here.

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Coastguard Cutter Sunk in Collision In New York Waters

New York, Dec. 30. — The United States coastguard cutter Rush was sunk last night in Ambrose Channel in a collision with the steamship J. A. Moffett Jr. All members of the crew were taken aboard the Moffett.

The force of the collision tore an 18-inch hole in the bow of the Moffett, at the waterline, but the ship was not believed to be in danger.

The Rush was one of the new 125-foot cutters, with Diesel engines, assigned to offshore patrol.

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Greater Vancouver Building Total in Year $18,703,741

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Building permits issued in Greater Vancouver during 1927 totaled $18,703,741, a decrease of $6,333,000 from the 1926 figure. Last year's total was swelled by the construction of a new Canadian Pacific Railway pier costing $4,200,000 and $2,000,000 spent on additions to department stores.

New dwellings constructed in Greater Vancouver this year accounted for approximately half the expenditure.

Search on Land For Missing Grayson Plane is Urged

New York, Dec. 30.—Convinced that further search of the waters along the Newfoundland and Nova Scotia coasts for Mrs. Frances Wilson Grayson and her three male companions in the amphibian plane, Dawn, would be futile, the United States navy has ordered withdrawn the five destroyers which for two days searched the waters about Sable Island.

Authorities were unanimously of the opinion the Dawn could not have escaped discovery if it had been in the areas of the sea searched by the destroyers and the dirigible Los Angeles.

The Grayson party left Roosevelt Field, N.Y., in the plane last Friday evening, for Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, on the first leg of a proposed journey to Croydon, England.

BOOK PUBLISHERS CONSOLIDATE

Toronto, Dec. 30.—The consolidating of the Canadian business of Doubleday, Page & Company and George H. Doran Company of Canada into one corporation of Doubleday, Doran & Gundy is formally announced. The head office will be located here and the new directors will be: President, George H. Doran; vice-president, S. E. Gundy, and secretary-treasurer, J. R. Eaglan.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Children's Story Hour—A "Children's Story Hour" will be held in the Young Women's Christian Association on Saturday, from 9 to 10 o'clock. Miss King, of the Public Library, will be in charge and all children between the ages of nine and twelve years will be assured of a very happy time.

On January 2, 1928, the Post Office arrangements will be as follows—The general delivery and registration wickets will be open from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. only, postage stamps being sold during these hours. The money order wickets will be closed all day. There will be one letter carrier delivery to all districts. Rural mail deliveries will be suspended for the day. The Post Office lobby will be open as on ordinary week-days. The evening street letter box collections only will be made and all mails due to be dispatched will be made up as usual.

The auditorium of the First United Church held a large gathering last evening for the annual Christmas concert of the Sunday school. The various numbers were given under the direction of the superintendents and teachers of the Sunday school, and among the items of particular interest were two sketches, "The Christmas Stocking" and "The Spirit of Christmas"; two carols sung by the Sunday school choir, "Over the Fields of Bethlehem" and "Silent Night"; and a shadowgraph. A violin solo by Wilfred Johnson and a mandolin duet by the Misses D. Lea and G. Lea were much enjoyed.

Winding up their business for the year 1927, the Victoria School Board held their final meeting yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Janet Bartons application for a position on the city teaching staff was accepted by the board. The secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to the relatives of the late Mrs. Abbie F. Gardiner, who was a teacher in Victoria public schools for thirty-one years. Invitations from the Gyro Club to attend a banquet at the Chamber of Commerce January 3, and from Dr. Clem Davies to attend service at the City Temple next Sunday evening, were accepted.

CRITICIZES DELAY FOR GRAIN VESSELS

Large Fleet of Ships a Pretty Picture But Does Not Spell Efficiency

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—"It may make a pretty picture but it doesn't spell efficiency in port administration."

This sums up the opinions of visiting shipmasters on the large fleet of steamers swinging at their anchors in Vancouver Harbor while waiting to get the grain cargoes for which they have been chartered.

The feeling which has been simmering for some time came to a head on Thursday when Captain Wyatt of the steamer Innerton told the Kiwanis Club that delays were harming the port.

PRIORITY OF BERTHING

Harbor Board officials issued a reply, stating that all grain loading ships entering Vancouver are granted their priority of berthing at the elevators by the port warden's certificate given the vessel on entering the harbor.

Difficulty of keeping exactly to the order set out in the port warden's list, owing to the flow of grain into different elevators at which the ships are due to load was stressed by shipping authorities, who stated that ships are assigned to their loading stations according to rotation on the list, and the amount of grain ready to be loaded on the vessel.

G. REMUS DECLARED INSANE

Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—George Remus to-day was found insane in a decision handed down by Judge William H. Lueders of the Hamilton Probate Court.

BOY LOST LIFE

Riviera-au-Rat, Que., Dec. 30.—Death by suffocation under the weight of a dead pig was the fate of Roger Rivard, five years old, of La Tuque, Quebec. The boy was on a visit to relatives here during the Christmas holidays. Running alongside a pen in which the carcas of the pig was held, the boy struck it and it fell on the youngster and suffocated him.

SENTENCE APPEALED

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—Frank Cancila, proprietor of a prominent Winnipeg cafe, was sentenced yesterday to six months in jail following a second conviction under the Manitoba Temperance Act. Defence counsel announced an appeal would be filed, pending hearing of which Cancila was released on bail of $1,000.

WHEAT EXPORTS

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Wheat exports from Vancouver for this crop year, August 1 to date, total 20,114,101 bushels, according to the statement issued to-day by the Vancouver Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Merchants' Exchange.

TAX SELLING HITS MARKET

New York, Dec. 30 (By B.C. Bond) —The New York Times says:

The large number of issues traded in yesterday, 732, was believed by most people to be the result of a considerable amount of tax selling.

Wall Street appeared disposed to minimize talk of a motor price war.

According to all current expectations Wall Street is going to be showered within the next month or so with about the most unfavorable set of annual reports that companies engaged in the oil industry have made in the last few years. The American says:

There is talk of split-ups in Allied Chemical, Montgomery Ward and Fleischmann.

DISTILLERY STOCK HEADED UPWARDS

Montreal, Dec. 30 (By B.C. Bond) —James Richardson & Son to-day say: "We understand that last month's earnings of Hiram Walker were the best in their history.

"There has been some talk of 75 for the stock by early January and the possibility of 100 by March."

NEW BRAND CUTS WHISKY PRICES HERE

Liquor Board to Bottle Its Own Scotch at New Low Scale

Best British Whisky to Sell Below General Prevailing Price

High-class whisky at lower prices than ever prevailed before will be offered at British Columbia Government liquor stores from now on, as a result of important changes inaugurated this week by the Liquor Board.

A new brand of Scotch whisky, imported from Britain but bottled by the Board here, is being placed before the public in an effort to provide the best liquor at relatively low prices. The new whisky will be in three grades, known as Crown One, Crown Two and Crown Three. A reputed quart of Crown One will sell at $3.50, Crown Two at $3.75 and Crown Three at $4.00.

LOWER THAN EVER

While some of the lower-grade whiskies are priced as low as this, no high-class brands have ever been offered at such prices before. The Crown Three brand, selling at $4, will be equal in quality to other imported brands now selling at $4.75. Imperial quarts of the new Crown brand will sell as follows: Crown One, $5.25; Crown Two, $5.50; Crown Three, $5.75.

IS BEST QUALITY

Some of the very best whisky obtainable in the Old Country is being imported by the Liquor Board in bulk for the new line of bottled goods. Bottling is being carried out in Victoria and Vancouver.

Liquor Board officials said the price of the new line would compare favorably with the price of any similar whisky sold in any part of Canada, including Ontario, which recently inaugurated lower liquor prices than those generally prevailing. As a result, the new Crown brand is expected to have an extremely large sale.

CHAMBER MEMBERS ANSWER QUESTIONS

Chamber Introduces New Plan in an Effort to Stimulate Interest Among Members

In an effort to stimulate interest among its members in the activities of the Chamber of Commerce questionnaires are now being distributed to every individual member of the chamber.

On the questionnaire are two question worded as follows: "What do you suggest the organization could no for the promotion of our own line of business or activity?" "What in your opinion as a citizen is the thing of first importance to be done for the community as a whole?"

When the answers to these questions have been recorded, analyzed and arranged under suitable headings, the chamber has a programme of work planned.

Included the letter mailed the members is a card on which the various chamber groups are named, and each member is requested to specify the group to which he desires to belong.

It is hoped that the commencement of the New Year each of the groups can be encouraged to hold regular meetings and discuss subjects of interest to members.

EARTH SHOCKS ARE RECORDED

Washington, Dec. 30—A sharp earthquake, estimated to have centred about 1,600 miles from Washington in a southerly direction, was recorded today on the seismograph of Georgetown University.

Director Tondorf said the quake, which began at 7.38 a.m. and attained a maximum disturbance ten minutes later, might have occurred somewhere in Mexico or its vicinity.

Ireland-Britain Air Service Plans Are Being Studied

Dublin, Dec. 30. — The Irish Free State is now setting up a civil aviation department with Colonel C. Russell, former commandant of the National Army Air Force, as director.

Negotiations have been in progress for some time between the Government and the Imperial Airways of London regarding the possibility of an aerial service between the Free State and Great Britain.

NEW YORK RECEIVES GOLD FROM CANADA

New York, Dec. 30—More gold is on the way back here from Canada. The bank of Montreal branch in New York is to receive another shipment of $2,000,000, making $4,000,000 consigned to this institution and a total of $5,500,000 from Canada since the recent movement to New York began. The return of the metal was stimulated by the discount on the Canadian dollar, making such transactions profitable.

SANITY TESTED

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—One claimant of the reward for capturing William E. Hickman, confessed child kidnapper and murderer, was detained here yesterday by county authorities to be examined as to his sanity. The man, Charles P. Hanley, who said he had come here from Stockton, California, expressly to collect the reward, applied at the sheriff's office for it. He demanded payment immediately as he was in a hurry to return to Stockton. The county alienist was called and on the strength of his affidavit, Hanley was detained on a warrant issued for further investigation.

Mysterious Malady Takes Toll of Hundreds of Dogs

Hundreds of dogs throughout the West, including scores in Victoria, have been victims in the last twelve months of a disease which appears to have made rapid inroads among almost every breed of dog.

In many cases owners have felt it incumbent to have their pets destroyed. In many cases the dogs have died despite careful attention. There has so far appeared nothing of a dangerous character to warrant the animal's destruction, and no case has been reported of the "patient" indulging in savage methods—as would be in the case of rabies. Unless the dog is too old to fight off his infirmity there is no actual need to invoke the humane assistance of the lethal chamber.

Inquiries made yesterday from such well-known veterinary surgeons as Dr. Hamilton and Dr. H. Keown, elicit interesting details of the trouble. Chief of Police John Fry has fully acquainted himself with known facts, and is now awaiting the result of examination and analysis of the head of a dog sent over to Vancouver for the purpose of studying the mysterious malady, and the discovery of a serum for counteraction or prevention.

According to the veterinary surgeons there is little variation in the manner of attack and progression of the disease. The first symptoms appear to be a nervous collapse with a tendency to drag the hind quarters. The dog will appear to be in a "doped" condition for a short spell, after which he will bark and run round and round, oblivious to any object in his way. He will then relapse into a quiet attitude and seek consolation from his master or mistress. In some of these cases he foams at the mouth, giving the impression that he is in a fit of hydrophobia. When these symptoms appear there is little danger of being bitten, unless the dog is naturally of a savage type, according to dog experts.

When your dog shows any signs of illness it should be treated with the old familiar castor oil and according to Dr. Hamilton fed upon vitaminous food only. When this does not succeed he should be taken to a veterinary.

OAK BAY STOPS SLEIGH-RIDING

Police Commission There Declares Against it, Calling it Dangerous

Sleighing and skating and other youthful snow sports on hills in various parts of the municipality these few wintry days was the chief item of discussion at the final meeting for the year of the Oak Bay Police Commission last night.

Chief of Police Symes was authorized to prevent this practice, especially on Sunrise Avenue, where it is considered very dangerous. He had already checked it on Victoria and Granite Streets, he told the commission.

Congratulations were extended by the commission to Reeve Herbert Anscomb on his successful administration, and Commissioner H. L. N. Edwards expressed a hope that he would return to public life in Oak Bay. Chief Symes thanked the Reeve on behalf of the constables for his courteous attention to their interests during his three years in office.

The commission has held nine meetings during the year, a larger number than is usually conducted, it was stated.

FRANC TO RETURN TO GOLD BASIS

New York, Dec. 30.—The reduction of the discount rate of the Bank of France from 5 to 4 per cent. and the shipment of $10,000,00 gold to Paris for the account of the French Central Bank were regarded by Wall Street bankers today as forerunners of an early stabilization of the franc.

Although it had been expected that no action toward returning to a gold basis would be taken until after the French general elections in May, stabilization last week of the Italian lira has stimulated the demand for a revaluation of the French currency. It is believed not unlikely, Premier Poincare will announce the return to the gold basis around the present level of the franc, before Parliament convenes on January 10.

OBITUARY

The funeral of Miss Florence Lee, who passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital Wednesday morning, will take place Saturday afternoon. Funeral service will be held at the Thompson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, at 2:30 o'clock when the Rev. W. Leslie Clay, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will officiate. The remains will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

News reached the city to-day of the death in San Diego, California, of Mrs. Robert Emerson of Colquitz, who passed away yesterday, following a stroke. Mrs. Emerson was visiting friends in the South with her husband.

The remains of the late Robert Fish were laid to rest Thursday afternoon in Ross Bay Cemetery, the funeral taking place from Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2 o'clock, Rev. J. P. Westman officiating. The hymns sung were "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me." A very large number of old-time friends were present, including several members of the Victoria Lodge No. 1, I.O.O.F. Many beautiful floral designs covered the casket and hearse. The I.O.O.F. service at the graveside was conducted by Bro. Alex. Hodgkinson, acting N.G., assisted by Bro. Alex. McCabe, chaplain of Victoria Lodge No. 1. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: John W. Speed, A. H. Lofts, N. H. Hedricks, and Luke Humber, also Bro. Alex. McCabe and Bro. Alex. Hodgkinson, representing the I.O.O.F.

A large number of friends attended the funeral of Henry Howard, which took place on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from the Lady of Lourdes Church, Rev. Father Buckley officiating. Interment was made in Ross Bay Cemetery with the following friends as pallbearers: Thomas Whalen of Vancouver, A. E. Humphries, F. C. Elliott, R. W. Mayhew, W. N. Smith and J. G. Thompson.

GREAT LIQUOR CARGO ON WAY TO THIS COAST

Glasgow, Dec. 30.—The biggest shipment of whisky ever to leave this city in one vessel has been loaded on the liner Salacia, which will sail from this port for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., to-day. The vessel is carrying 100,000 cases of assorted liquor and many casks, totalling more than 1,250,000 bottles.

WEATHER MAN SAYS COLD IS DANGEROUS

Warns Householders Against Entry of Frost Into Homes

Continued cold and a growing danger to householders since the frost has begun to creep into residences, is the forecast of F. Napier Denison from the Gonzales Meteorological Station this morning to 21 degrees at 11 o'clock, and was still going up this afternoon, Mr. Denison predicts another rapid fall to-night.

Victoria is suffering no more than surrounding cities. It is coldest here just at sunrise. At 5 o'clock in the morning the temperature stood at 19 degrees, but at 8 o'clock it was colder by three degrees. The same condition prevails in Vancouver, where it is a little colder than here. The thermometer showed 10 degrees above zero at 5 a.m. in Vancouver to-day.

Kamloops was in the chill grip of a 16 below zero morning when Mr. Denison had his latest reports from that mountain city. Farther east, at Edmonton, the temperature was 30 degrees below zero.

COLD SPREADING

The cold has spread out of the north and is creeping into the Mississippi Valley, according to Mr. Denison. It will probably reach Florida before the frost completes its march. Seattle saw 18 degrees at 5 a.m. to-day, and Portland went as low at 22 degrees at the same time.

Mr. Denison regards the snowfall here as beneficial. It has kept the frost out of the ground, he says, and the thaw, when it comes, will be quicker than it otherwise would have been.

Mr. Denison looks for two days more of varying cold for this city. He advises home owners to keep houses well heated.

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—North Central British Columbia is in the grip of the coldest weather in more than ten years. At Prince George this morning thermometers recorded 52 below zero, Quesnel 48 below and Cottonwood and Beaver Pass 50 below.

TO INVITE FAMOUS YACHTSMAN TO CITY

Chamber of Commerce Will Urge Sir Thomas Lipton to Visit Victoria

Victoria will invite Sir Thomas Lipton, internationally known sportsman, to visit this city in the near future if the yachting king comes to Seattle in response to an invitation from that city, the Chamber of Commerce announced to-day.

Some weeks ago, an invitation was sent to Sir Thomas from this city when it was first learned that he might visit the Pacific Northwest, and he was asked to make Victoria a point on his itinerary. As yet Sir Thomas has not intimated his decision.

Sir Thomas is due to reach San Francisco on Sunday, according to a special dispatch to The Times. It is probable that a reminder of his invitation to this city may be wired to the famous owner of the Shamrock yachts, which have raced against prize American ships for world's championships so often.

The duration of Sir Thomas's stay on the Pacific Coast is not known. Nor has his itinerary been announced. The Chamber of Commerce is in hopes, however, that the distinguished Irishman will include this city in his route of travel.

WORK PROCEEDS ON AEROPLANE HANGAR

Building For Eve Brothers Will be Completed Next Month

Work is proceeding to an advanced stage on the aeroplane hangar being constructed for Eve Brothers, at Landsdowne Road and Hillside Avenue.

Construction of the building is being supervised by H. L. Wilson, who will act as pilot for the flying school to be operated by Cecil and Ernest Eve.

The hangar was to have been completed by the first week in January, but due to the present cold weather, work may be delayed. The carpenters are at present constructing the roof.

When completed, the building will accommodate six small type planes.

During the past few weeks workmen have also been putting the landing field into shape. It has been rolled and is now in condition for use.

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Two languerous colored gentlemen tell some new stories. Two parts—both an instantaneous hit from start to finish.

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"Baby, Your Mother" ..... Fox Trot
"Eyes That Love" ..... Waltz
"Moonlit Waters" ..... Fox Trot
"'S Wonderful" ..... Frank Crumit
"Are You Happy" ..... Gene Austin
"The Best Things in Life Are Free" ..... Jack Smith
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First race.—Six furlongs:
Tulsa 132
Jago 121
Boomworm 126
Barber Bill 129
Short Choice 129
Ray Reese 132
Cloporte 121
Indemnity 118
Mannikin II 129
Snow Cap 121
Jack Frost 126

Second race.—Five furlongs.
Yami 106
Virginia Morse 106
Arabrab 104
Combustion 112
Vineyard 101
Is Zat So 103
Balance Book 101
Milton 115
Venture 98
Klickitat Bum 112
Miss Rochester 101
Cible 98
Grand Polly 112

Third race—Five furlongs.
Cloud Accelerator 101
LaJolla 101
Confluente 106
Buddy Clark 103
Queen Anna Marie 101
Skootin 104
Tim O'Brien 106
Stamp 107
Maurice Mulcahy 101
St. Donard 101
Biddy Shipp 98
Barrage 101
Mayflower 108

Fourth race—Mile and one-quarter.
Cruzern 98
Chiapas 106
Shindy 107
Zucca 102
Nebraska Lad 103
Glanmore 108
Sea Green 107
Escapader 102

Fifth race—Clubhouse course.
Gondolier 110
Tender Seth 105
Bryndear 101
Tennessee 107
Miss Fountain 107
Buzzer 107
Tanson 101
Tommie McCoomb 110
Tavern Talk 107
Bullet Proof 110

Sixth race—One mile and seventy yards.
Ponimoi 104
Golden Sweep 103
Fathan 110
Realist 103
Minstrel Boy 110
Blue Fish 116

Seventh race—Six furlongs.
Conquistador 111
Roper 107
Merry Chase 114
Unlucky 110
Highball 113
Sonny 109
Harbinger 110
Odd Seth 108

Eighth race—Clubhouse course:
Fire Captain 107
Bardalid 110
Make Up 101
Jay Mac 105
Sophia Goldman 105
Red Weed 115
Son o' Unc 115
Matilda B 97
Wilmer the Wizard 103

Weather, cloudy; track, muddy.

POLICE TO SUMMON MOTORCYCLISTS

An unmuffled motorcycle or a motorcycle traveling with its exhaust open, is unlawful, and the riders of such machines will be prosecuted under the Motor Act if they are caught, according to an announcement from Chief of Police Fry this morning. Also, motorcycles without a rear light and bicycles without a rear reflector will draw attention from traffic police, Chief Fry states.

Crystal Garden

Stage Play and Dance To-night

It's popular night at the Garden. One admission charge

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NEW YEAR'S EVE Supper Dance

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Year-end Sale of Men's Winter Footwear

Boots, Up to $7.50 for $4.45 Pair

Black Box Calf and Brown Calf Boots in Balmoral and Blucher styles. All Goodyear welted soles. Several lasts from which to select and choice of Winter weight in single and slip soles. Standard quality shoes; sizes 6½ to 10½. Values to $7.50.
Sale price, per pair **$4.45**

Boots and Oxfords, Values to $9.00 for $5.45 Pair

Distinctive quality supported by sound shoemaking in black calf, brown calf and black kid Boots; also in black calf and tan calf Oxfords. Choice of several lasts including the conservative shape and the full round shape. All made with a view to comfort, durability and satisfaction. All sizes. Values to $9.00.
Sale price, per pair **$5.45**

Men's Work Boots, Values to $5.00 for $3.45 Pair

Solid Leather Work or Service Boots in black or brown leather. Comfortable full-fitting last. Round toe; all sizes. Values to $5.00.
Sale price, per pair **$3.45**

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

A New Suit for the New School Term

Boys' Long Trouser Suits, Regular to $22.50 for $16.95

Snappy boys' patterns in the latest double and single-breasted styles. Coat, vest and long trousers, made from well tailored sturdy all-wool tweeds in the latest shades of brown, fawn, grey and fancy weaves. High-grade suits that will retain the shapes and give lasting wear; sizes 8 to 18 years. Regular $22.50. Reduced to

$16.95

Boys' Slicker Coats, for $3.39

The Ideal Coat for wind and rain; one that will stand rough use. Sizes 4 to 16 years. Special sale price, each **$3.39**

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Children's English Reefers

Good Quality Nap Cloth Reefers in double-breasted style with two pockets. Scarlet only; sizes 1 to 3 years. Year-end sale price **$3.98**

Special New Prices on Girls' Warm Winter Coats

Fashioned in smart velour and pinpoint with mushroom or long shawl collars. Shown in beaver, forest green, red and gull; sizes 14 to 15 years. Year-end special prices, **$12.98** **$16.98** and **$23.98**

—Second Floor, H.B.C.

Children's Christmas Books and Annuals at 25% Off Regular Prices

An opportunity to buy school prizes at a big saving in price. Wide choice to suit boys and girls at early age. girls of early age.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Year-end Sale of Coats

New Winter Coats, Values to $55.00 for $34.95

Crushed plush, duvetyn, needlepoint, broadcloth, fancy tweeds and velour are featured in this group. Fashioned in smart styles with shawl or mushroom collars of French seal, opossum, caracul and moufflon with cuffs to match. Attractively lined; sizes 16 to 50. Year-end sale price, **34.95**

Fur-trimmed Coats, Values to $45.00 for $24.95

Coats of pinpoint, velour, suedine and fancy plush in new styles and the latest colors with fur trimmings of moufflon, Thibetine, opossum and Mandel. Fully lined; sizes 16 to 46½. Year-end sale price, ... **24.95**

Party and Dance Frocks for New Year Festivities

Our entire stock of Evening Gowns and Party Frocks selling to-morrow at greatly reduced prices.

French Beaded Frocks, $6.95 to **$15.00**
Georgette Frocks, $29.50 to **$39.50**
Exclusive Model Evening Gowns ..... **$42.50** to **$62.50**
Misses' Taffeta Frocks, $10.95 to **$24.95**

Men's Suits and Overcoats

At Special Year-end Bargain Prices

$30 Suits Reduced to $17.85

Double and single-breasted styles for men and young men. Perfect shades of brown, fawn, grey and a large choice of fancy tweeds in light, medium and dark colors. These wool materials give splendid wear and retain their shape and the suits display high-grade workmanship throughout. Most of them have two pairs of trousers; sizes 35 to 46. Values to $30.00. Year-end sale price **$17.85**

$40 Overcoats Reduced to $28.75

Men's and Young Men's Overcoats tailored on this season's models. Single and double-breasted styles with plain backs and half belts, Raglan and set-in sleeves. The materials are fashionable navy naps and velour weaves. Coats that have style and appearance. Shown in a splendid choice of grey fawns, blue greys, browns and check tweeds; sizes 35 to 44. Values to $40.00. Year-end sale price **$28.75**

Year-end Clearance of Smart Millinery

Fifty Felt and Velvet Hats for women and misses. Choose from velvet, velvet and silk combined, felt and velvet and all-felt. Shown in black and all fashionable colors. Values to $5.95.
Year-end sale price **$2.85**

Satin and Metallic Hats

Extremely fashionable models of rich black, satins combined with gold or silver embroidery or brocaded metal cloth. Many with touches of bright-colored trimmings. Regular $5.95. Year-end sale price **$3.95**

Girls' and Misses' Hats

Smart Little Felt or Velvet Hats in bright and dark colors. Values to $4.95, for **$2.85**
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Clara Bow Hats, made of felt cloth in small and close-fitting styles. Many colors from which to choose. Formerly priced at $1.95. Now reduced to **$1.45**

—Second Floor, H.B.C.

Clearance of Gift Handkerchiefs at Substantial Reductions

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Linen, Lawn and Voile Novelty Handkerchiefs in all colors, beautifully embroidered, and daintily boxed. Two and in some cases three handkerchiefs in each box. Clearing at, per box ..... **89¢**

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In neat-tailored styles, suitable for home or business wear. High or pointed collars; plain or tucked fronts. White only. Special sale price, each **$1.98**

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All Toys, with the exception of wheel goods and a few contract lines, clearing Saturday at just half the regular prices.

Drug Department Offerings for Saturday Shoppers

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Perfumes, special assortment of popular odors ..... **43¢**
Coty's Perfume, fancy vial, each, at ..... **48¢**
Houbigant's Perfume (in bulk), dispensed in glass, stopper vials. Each ..... **95¢**
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"Dainty Lady" Bath Crystals, box of 12 for **$1.29**
Turknit Washcloths, 25c values. Box of 4 at ..... **68¢**
Woodbury's Toilet Soap ..... **21¢**
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3 lbs. for **$1.30**
Pure Bulk Lard, per lb. ..... **20¢**
3 lbs. for ..... **58¢**
B. C. Pullet, Extra, Eggs, doz. **38¢**
Machine Sliced Ayrshire Roll, at per lb. ..... **38¢**
Finest Quality Side Breakfast Bacon, per lb. ..... **43¢**
Seal of Quality Peameal Back Bacon, per lb. ..... **45¢**
Swift's Premium Side Bacon, at per lb. ..... **56¢**

Swift's Premium Hams, whole, at per lb. ..... **34¢**
Swift's Premium Hams, butt end, per lb. ..... **36¢**
Shamrock Brand Hams, whole, at per lb. ..... **32¢**
Shamrock Brand Hams, butt ends, per lb. ..... **34¢**
Old Canadian Cheese, per lb., **38¢**
Kraft Canadian Cheese, per lb., **38¢**
Golden Loaf Cheese, per lb. ... **38¢**
Swift's Premium Cooked Ham, at per lb. ..... **56¢**
Sliced Pressed Beef, per lb. .. **50¢**
Sliced Veal Loaf, per lb. ..... **40¢**
Baked Ham, per lb. ..... **75¢**
Sliced Jellied Ham, per lb. ... **30¢**
Thinly Sliced Bologna, per lb., **25¢**
Sliced Corned Beef, per lb. .. **30¢**

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Rich New Year Cakes, beautifully iced and decorated, each, at **$1.25, $2.75** and **$4.00**
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3 lbs. for ..... **40¢**
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2 tins for ..... **35¢**
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Glace Cherries, per lb. ..... **50¢**
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Sweet Juicy Japanese Oranges, at per box ..... **90¢**
New California Sunkist Navel Oranges, per doz ..... **40¢** to ..... **90¢**

Imperial Valley Grapefruit, at, 2 for ..... **25¢**
Finest Florida Grapefruit, each, **15¢** and ..... **20¢**
Finest Extra Fancy Okanagan Dessert Apples, all varieties, per lb., **10¢**
Cape Cod Cranberries, per lb., **35¢**
Imported Chestnuts, for stuffing, per lb. ..... **25¢**
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California Head Lettuce, 2 for **25¢**
Brussels Sprouts, 2 lbs. for .. **25¢**
Local Table Carrots, 12 lbs. for **25¢**
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Fresh Local Turkeys, per lb, **58¢**
Fresh Local Geese, per lb. .. **35¢**
Alberta Geese (average 14 lbs.), at per lb. ..... **33¢**
1,000 lbs. Fancy Chickens (4 to 6 lbs.), per lb., **42¢** and .... **45¢**
1,000 lbs. Fancy Fowl (4 to 6 lbs.) per lb. ..... **36¢**
500 Ducks (4 to 6 lbs.), per lb., **37¢**

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VICTORIA, B.C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1927

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN

ZARELLI—To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zarelli of 818 Hereward Road, on Dec. 28, at Jubilee Hospital, a daughter.

MARRIED

KEIR-BURNS—At the home of Miss Burns, Oliver Avenue, Montreal, aunt of the bride, on December 21, 1927, by the Rev. Dr. Donald of St. Andrew's and St. Paul's, Katrina Margaret Patricia, second daughter of Gavin H. Burns, Victoria, to Thomas G. Keir, son of the Rev. David Keir of Aukersyde, Crookston, Scotland.

DIED

McCONNELL—A former resident of this city passed away suddenly in Winnipeg, on December 28, in the person of Mrs. Sarah Jane McConnell, aged eighty years. Two daughters, Mrs. R. D. McCaw of this city and Mrs. W. H. Walker of Winnipeg, survive, as well as one sister, Mrs. J. Chute of Aylmer, Ontario, and one brother, Austin McCleish of Riverside, California.

LEE—There passed away on December 28, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Florence Lee, daughter of the late Thomas and Marietta Lee, late of this city. Miss Lee was a native daughter. She leaves to mourn her loss one brother, one sister, both of Ucuelet, B.C.; two nieces and a nephew, besides other relatives.

The funeral will take place from Thomson's Funeral Parlors on Saturday at 2.30. Burial at Royal Oak Burial Park.

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46 LOST AND FOUND

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LOST—ON WEDNESDAY, SCOTCH TERrier, name "Mack." Phone 5760L, or 1439 Haultain Street. Reward. 6410-2-155

LOST—DIAMOND RING AND GENT'S bloodstone ring. Box 7604. 7604-2-155

LOST—33x4 TIRE, WITH RIM, IN Saanich district. Reward. B. A. Howell, 2064 Marrion Street. Phone 4029L. 6392-2-154

LOST—STRING OF PEARLS, ON VANcouver Street, between Mt. Edward Apartments and Park Boulevard. Phone 6727L. Reward. 7598-3-156

LOST—SMALL BLACK SHORT LEGGED dog, bobbed tail. Reward. Phone 5630Y1. 7597-3-154

LOST—DEC. 25, SMALL BLACK PURSE containing one ten-dollar and one five-dollar bill. Reward. Room 72, Balmoral Hotel. 6364-3-154

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CHOICE OAK BAY BUILDING LOT

On South Hampshire Road, with a frontage of 100 ft. by a depth of 175 ft. This lot is ideally situated with a gentle slope to the east and studded with oaks. Terms can be arranged. Price **$1500**

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No. 1 Steer Beef	.17
Cow Beef	.14½
Veal	.17 to .21
Spring Lamb	.29
Mutton	.20
Hogs	.17

Poultry

Fowls	.26 to .29
Chicken	.35 to .37

Eggs

Fresh extras, case lots, dozen	.50
Fresh firsts, case lots, dozen	.47
Fresh pullets, case lots, dozen	.44
Seconds	.34

Butter

Best cartons	.44
No. 2 grade	.42
Solids, creamery	.43

Cheese

B.C. solids	.29½
B.C. twins	.30
B.C. triplets	.30½
Ontario solids, June	.29½
Ontario twins, lb.	.27
Ontario Stiltons, lb.	.30

Lard

Tierces	.17
Other sizes	.17½ to .18
Compound tierces, lb.	.15¾
Other compounds	.16½ to .18

Hams and Bacon

Ham	.28 to .31
Bacon	.36 to .42

Vegetables

Artichokes, Globe, doz.	M.P.
Cabbage	.02½
Cauliflower, doz.	2.00 to 2.50
Celery, dozen	1.50 to 1.75
Lettuce, Cal., crate	M.P.
Peppers, green, lb.	.15
Tomatos, hothouse, No. 1	5.50
Tomatoes, hothouse, No. 2	4.75
Beets, sack	2.00
Carrots, sack	1.00
Parsnips, sack	2.00
Turnips, sack	1.35
Onions	2.50
Onions, Yakima Spanish, crt.	3.50
Potatoes	1.10 to 1.50

Fruit

Apples—	
McIntosh Reds	2.10 to 2.75
McIntosh Reds, orchard run	1.25
Locals	1.00 to 2.00
Oranges, Navels	7.00 to 8.50
Grapefruit, Cal.	6.00
Lemons	11.50 to 12.50
Grapes	2.85 to 4.50
Bananas	.10 to .11
Pears	2.75 to [illegible]
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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for interior alterations, etc., Post Office Building, Vancouver, B.C.," will be received until 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, December 27, 1927, for interior alterations and new elevator, etc., in the Post Office Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Plans and specification can be seen and forms of tender obtained at the offices of the Chief Architect, Department of Public Works, Ottawa; the District Resident Architect, Department of Public Works, Post Office Building, Victoria, B.C., and the Caretaker, Post Office Building, Vancouver, B.C.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with the conditions set forth therein.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to 10 p.c. of the amount of the tender. Bonds of the Dominion of Canada or bonds of the Canadian National Railway Company will also be accepted as security, or bonds and a cheque if required to make up an odd amount.

By order,
S. E. O'BRIEN,
Secretary.
Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, November 30, 1927.

WATER NOTICE

Diversion and Use

Take notice that Tedford G. McMillan, whose address is 306 London Bldg., Vancouver, B.C., will apply for a license to take and use 150,000 gals. per day of water out of unnamed stream which flows southwesterly and drains into Deep Inlet, about ½ mile from the head, Kyuquot Sound. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 1,800 feet from the southeast corner of Indian Reserve No. 15, and will be used for power, domestic and industrial purposes upon the land described as northwest portion of Indian Reserve No. 15. This notice was posted on the ground on the 10th day of December, 1927. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the "Water Act" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Victoria, B.C. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is December 29, 1927.

TEDFORD G. McMILLAN,
Applicant.

RETAIL MARKET

Vegetables

Vegetable Marrow, lb.	.04
New Local Potatoes, 9 lbs. for	.25
Potatoes, local, sack	1.65
Kamloops Netted Gems, sack	2.10
Artichokes, Globe, each	.20
Spinach, 4 lbs. for	.25
Sweet Potatoes, 4 lbs. for	.25
Tomatoes, lb.	.35
Celery	.10 to .15
Cucumbers, each	.10, .15 and .20
Cabbage, each	.10 and .05
Beets, 3 bunches	.10
Carrots, 3 lbs. for	.10
Turnips, 7 lbs. for	.10
Parsnips, 3 lbs. for	.10
Cauliflower, per lb.	.04
Onions, 8 lbs.	.25
Netted Gem Potatoes, 10 lbs.	.25
Pickling Onions, 4 lbs.	.25
Egg Plant, lb.	.15
Lettuce, head	.10

Fruits

Apples—	
Newton Pippins	3.50
Delicious	3.75
Spitzenburg	3.75
Russet	3.00
McIntosh Red	3.00
Cooking Apples, lbs. for	.25
Local Apples, 5 lbs.	.25
Gravenstein Apples	.10
Crabapples, 6 lbs.	.25
Okanagan McIntosh Reds, 3 lbs. .25, box	3.00
Watermelon, per lb.	.06
Pomegranates, each	.10
Cranberries, per lb.	.27
California Pears, dozen	.50
Calavo Pears, each	.30
Fresh Pineapples, each	.40
Texas Grapefruit, each	.10
Bananas, dozen .30 and	.50
Lemons, Cal., dozen .25 to	.50
Honeydew Melons, each	.25
Casaba Melons, lb.	.10
New Oranges, dozen .60, .40, .30	[illegible]
Dates, 2 lbs.	.25
New California Figs, pkt. .10, .15; lb.	.35
New California Layer Figs, lb.	.30
Spanish Cluster Raisins, box	.60
New Fard Dates, lb.	.30
Florida Grapefruit .20 and	.10
New Almond Nuts, lb.	.30
California Cluster Raisins, box .35 and	.25
Cocoanuts, each	.20
Red Empress Grapes, lb.	.20
Local Pears, 4 lbs. for	.25
Quince, 3 lbs.	.25
Jap. Oranges, box	.90
Navel Oranges .35, .40, .50, .60 and	.75

Nuts

Walnuts, per lb.	.30
Pecans	.40
Mixed .20, .25 and	.35
California Soft Shell Walnuts, lb.	.40
Brazils, new, per lb.	.30
Roasted Peanuts, per lb.	.15
Chestnuts, lb.	.30
Local Filberts, per lb.	.25
Filbert Nuts	.30
Almonds	.30
Soft Shell Almonds	.35

Dairy Produce and Eggs

Butter—	
Best, Alberta, cartons	.50
Comox, lb.	.50
V.I.M.P.A., lb.	.55
Cowichan Creamery, lb.	.55
Salt Spring Island, lb	.50
Handipats, lb	.50
Our Own Brand, lb.	.50
Alberta Butter, bulk	.46
Eggs—	
B.C. fresh extras	.60
B.C. fresh firsts	.50
Pullets, extras, doz.	.48

Cheese

B.C. Cream Cheese, lb.	.40
B.C. solids, lb.	.35
Finest Ontario, mild, per lb.	.35
Finest Ontario matured, per lb.	.40
Edam Dutch Cheese, per lb.	.45
Caudo Cheese, per lb.	.45
Gorgonzola, per lb	.65
Swiss Gruyere, in portions, box	.50
English Stilton, lb.	.85
Imported Roquefort, per lb.	.85
Eagle Brand, Camembert, box	.54
Circle Brand breakfast Cheese, two packages	.75
Kraft, lb.	.39
Golden Loaf	.32

Fish

Fresh Cod, lb.	.15
Fresh Cod Fillets, per lb.	.25
Fresh Local Halibut, per lb.	.30
Young Salmon, lb	.18
Local cured Bloaters, 2 lbs.	.25
Fresh Herrings, 3 lbs. for	.25
Fresh Shrimps, per lb.	.50
Eastern Finnan Haddie, per lb. .17 and	.20
Fresh Crabs, each	.20
Local cured Black Cod	.25
Large Eastern Kippers	.17

Fresh Meats

Pork—	
Trimmed Loin, per lb.	.42
Legs, per lb.	.40
Shoulders roasts, per lb.	.30
Pork Sausages, per lb.	.30
No. 1 Beef—	
Sirloin Steak, per lb.	.35
Round Steaks, per lb.	.35
Pot Roasts, per lb. .12 and	.16
Rump Roasts, per lb.	.30
Spring Lamb—	
Shoulders, per lb.	.28
Legs, per lb.	.40
Legs, full, per lb.	.43
Rabbits, local, per lb.	.28

Hams and Bacon

Ham, lb.	.38 to .50
Bacon, lb.	.40 to .53

Flour

Flour, all standard brands, 49s	2.00
Flour, pastry, 49s	2.40

Feed

	Per ton	Per sack
No. 1 Wheat	$56.00	$2.90
No. 2 Wheat	52.00	2.70
Scratch Food	52.00	2.70
Whole Barley	46.00	2.40
Whole Corn	50.00	2.60
Cracked Corn	52.00	2.70
Cornmeal	52.00	2.70
Whole Oats	46.00	2.40
Shorts	38.00	2.00
Ground Oats	48.00	2.50
Crushed Oats	48.00	2.30
Bran	36.00	1.90

The Corporation of the District of Saanich

Saanich Municipal Ward meetings will be held as follows:

Ward One, January 5, St. Luke's Hall; Ward Two, January 6, St. Mark's Hall; Ward Three, January 9, Gordon Head Hall; Ward Four, January 10, Marigold Hall; Ward Five, January 11, Royal Oak Hall; Ward Six, January 12, Temperance Hall and Ward Seven, January 13, Hampton Hall. All meetings will commence at 8 p.m. sharp.

NOTICE

PRIVATE BILLS

Notice is hereby given that the time limited by the Rule of the House for receiving Petitions will expire on Friday, the 3rd day of February, 1928. Private Bills must be presented to the House on or before Tuesday, the 14th day of February, 1928. Reports from Standing or Select Committees on Private Bills must be received on or before Tuesday, the 21st day of February, 1928.

W. H. LANGLEY,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly.

WATER NOTICE

Diversion and Use

TAKE NOTICE that William F. Gibson, whose address is C/o L. A. Hanna, P.O. Box 125, Port Alberni, B.C., will apply for a license to take and use 100 miner's inches of water out of an unknown stream which flows out of Power Lake southerly and drains into Ou-Ou-Kinsh Inlet, about the head of such Inlet. The water will be diverted from the stream at a point about 2,500 ft. from the S.E. corner of District Lot 531, Rupert District, and will be used for steam and industrial purposes upon the land described as 30 acres on Ou-Ou-Kinsh Inlet as covered by an application to lease. This notice was posted on the ground on the 16th day of September, 1927. A copy of this notice and an application thereto and to the "Water Act" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Victoria, B.C. Objections to the application may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty days after the first appearance of this notice in a local newspaper. The date of the first publication of this notice is November 17, 1927.

WILLIAM F. GIBSON,
Applicant.

AUNT HET

By ROBERT QUILLEN

"I forget to sew on some of Pa's buttons sometimes, but sometimes I forget on purpose just because I know how much he enjoys feelin' neglected."

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POOR DAD

By CLAUDE CALLAN

"This is my payday an' I can't understand why Ma hasn't phoned for me to meet her somewhere at noon."

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The junior pupils of Miss Beatrice Griffin were presented in a programme of instrumental duets and solos on Wednesday evening. A special feature was the exhibition of ear-tests, rhythm drill, given by the primary pupils, the children clapping their hands to examples of music, in different times, written on the blackboard. Allan Anderson, a violin pupil of Ernest Semple, delighted the audience with a pleasing violin solo. The following pupils took part: Richard Vigar, Archie Flucke, Douglas Clarke, Elsie Clarke, Eileen Cross, Gordon Hall, Pearl McGary, James McGary, Douglas Davidson, Hazel Dodgshon, Harold Gonnason, Roberta Queale, Billy Veitch, Noel Johnson, Vivian Dodds, Winnifred Currie, Richard MacMillan, Kathleen Barker, Helen Sweetland and Miss Griffin.

Velvet Muff

Very new is a ruby red velvet muff, heavily shirred in the centre and puffed on the edges and worn with a matching suit with shired collar.

VICTORIA-BORN ORPHAN BOY, WHO BECAME MILLIONAIRE, ENRICHES SHELTER OF YOUTH

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1923, the last of four wills executed Under the terms of the will $100,000 and the desidue of his estate goes to the Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum and Home Society of San Francisco. Mr. Fogel, who had been actively engaged in the business of R. R. Fogel & Co., exporting jewelers, of No. 1,200 Broadway, until his death, November 30, left an estate estimated conservatively at $2,100,000.

The conditions of the bequests to the asylum are that the $100,000 shall comprise a fund for assisting former wards to get a start in business life, all loans to be repaid to the asylum. The bequest includes forty-one per cent. of the capital stock of the jewelry business.

Provision also is made in the will for the establishment of a "British Orphans' Asylum and Home" to house the orphans of British-born persons who lived here. Mr. Fogel names the officers and directors of the controlling corporation of this asylum as the officers and directors of the Canadian Club of New York, Inc., of which he was a member.

The amount of this bequest is thought to be well over $200,000, including all the real eastate left by the testator. This includes Mr. Fogel's holdings at 173rd and 177th Streets and Riverside Drive, which he suggests as a suitable building site for the asylum.

Besides other charitable bequests, which include the Hebrew Orphan Asylum here, $10,000; Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum and the Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews, $5,000 each, and $2,000 each for the Montefiore Home, the Educational Alliance and the Home for Hebrew Infants, Mr. Fogel remembered his employees.

The conditions of the bequests to the employees provide that they must have been in his service at least three years before his death. He names four, each to receive ten per cent. of the capital stock of his business. According to Laurence A. Steinhart of the firm of Guggenheim, Untermyer and Marshall, No. 120 Broadway, who filed the will, three of these were dismissed by the testator before his death "because they would not work for him as he wished them to."

This leaves Amelia S. Backs in the testator's employ twenty-five years, as heir to nearly forty-four per cent. of his business. A clerk, Lorenzo Seda of No. 75 East 118th Street, receives five per cent. of the stock. Other bequests include a few relatives and friends.

LONDONERS ANXIOUS ABOUT FOOD SUPPLY IN SNOW BLOCKADE

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had privation reached the starvation point. A further prolonged fall of snow may lead in that direction as stocks of food in isolated villages are lessening constantly and cannot be replenished yet on any considerable scale.

A shortage of coal is causing hardship in some places.

PARACHUTES USED

Bread and butter were dropped from the sky yesterday into Westerham and neighboring villages in Kent, whose inhabitants were snow imprisoned. Two aeroplanes from an aerodrome near London carried supplies, but were unable to find safe landing places in the beleagured towns. The food was placed in bags and dropped with parachutes.

Tanks from two army stations in Hampshire were employed to crush a pathway through the roads piled high with snow.

Three villages, Grosmont, Llanvetherine and Llangattock, lying near the foot of the Black Mountain in Monmouthshire, were isolated.

Floods are adding to distress. They are widespread in the Ouse Valley in Huntingdonshire, while the Thames floods from Old Windsor to Walton show little sign of subsidence.

London, Dec. 30.—Contrary to overnight predictions of milder weather, Great Britain was established more firmly than ever in the grip of the snow king to-day, while still colder weather was forecast for to-night.

With the mercury at 11 above zero (Fahrenheit), London and its environs yesterday experienced the coldest day of the year.

To-day the gale had abated in the English Channel after raging incessantly for four and one-half days and cross-Channel steamers resumed full service, as did continental air routes.

Aeroplanes that had been used to carry provisions to the beleaguered villages of the Kent district were temporarily held up because of the intense cold, but planned to resume operations this afternoon.

An increasing number of sleighs are being used to convey food supplies to the blockaded villages surrounding London. The question of transportation, however, is now beginning to cause considerable concern, as motor trucks could never make the journey.

Vieing with Lord Templemore, who has for days voluntarily carried the mails from Winchester to Alresford, seven miles, Miss Ann Eliot, riding one of two pack horses, is making the ten-mile trip from Winchester to Alresford daily, carrying as great a quantity of food supplies as is possible.

DISARMAMENT IS LEAGUE'S BIG TASK IN 1928, SAYS CECIL

Leader Who Represented Britain at Geneva Sends Message to Canada

London, Dec. 30 (Canadian Press Cable).—Viscount Cecil, former Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and a member of the Baldwin Cabinet, who resigned the chancellorship following the failure of the recent Three-power Naval Conference at Geneva, has given out the following New Year message:

"Canada doubtless will embark upon the year 1928 with a greatly increased interest in the activities of the League of Nations. As a member of the Council of the League she has undertaken a great and honorable position. She sits as one of the fourteen countries specially charged to advance the peace of the world. Her representatives in the Council and in the Assembly of the League, however admirable, can only be the mouthpieces of the opinions of her people. On them rests the ultimate responsibility, and I trust therefore I shall be pardoned if I venture to remind them of what the League of Nations really stands for and the problems with which it is faced.

Briefly, the League stands for world peace, social improvement and justice. Those are tremendous ideals and can be accomplished only by placing them above the sphere of party politics and going 'all out' for them. That is a point to be borne in mind by all League of Nations societies. Their aims must be non-political, as is that of the British League of Nations Union.

"It is a great encouragement to know there is an active League of Nations Society in Canada, which is helping to build up a public opinion that not only believes in the League ideals, but is actually willing to give a lead in one of the surest ways to peace—arbitration.

"Senator Raoul Dandurand, the Canadian representative in the League Assembly in 1927, reminded the delegates that back in 1925 the Canadian Government had informed the secretary of the League that Canada was 'still firmly convinced it was essential to submit international disputes to arbitration.' He stated Canada was prepared to consider the compulsory jurisdiction of the Permanent Court of International Justice in legal disputes, subject to certain reservations, and also 'in the settlement of non-legal disputes, excluding, naturally, the decision of internal questions.'

"That is a wonderful lead to have given the Empire and it is very heartening to those who like to believe the Empire stands pre-eminently for peace.

"If another great war is allowed to come it can only mean the break-up of civilization. Nations' powers of recovering from such devastations are not unlimited. They have no inexhaustible stores of such powers. But one thing they have got within their reach is the means of preventing future wars by the peaceful settlement of disputes and the reduction of armaments by international agreement. That is the great task which the League has to face in 1928 and which public opinion alone can enable it to achieve."

At the sessions of the League of Nations for several years Viscount Cecil was one of the representatives of Great Britain.

BOARD'S MAJORITY REPORT IS AGAINST HIGHER MINE WAGES

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It is recommended that this bonus should be made a certainty or fixed during the life of the agreement.

MINORITY SUGGESTIONS

The minority report of Joseph Hitchen, the men's representative, recommends the deletion of the clause in the original contract referring to competitive conditions governing the payment of the bonus. He asks for a restoration of at least thirty-eight cents, this to be added to the present thirty cents and to be placed on all base rates in the agreement. Mr. Hitchen declares this would give an equivalent of the findings of the cost of living inquiry held during the war by a Federal Commission appointed on the request of the Department of Labor.

He further asks that this be made retroactive from October 1, 1927.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Mr. Hitchen's fourth recommendation is that full recognition should be given to established customs and practices that have existed as working conditions, changes of conditions only to take place after consultation with the employees or their representatives and that contract rates should be paid where work is done under conditions specified in the agreement.

The dispute affected 800 miners directly and 450 indirectly.

NEW YORK LOSES BIG NIGHT CLUB

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SEIZED DOORMAN

Two of the agents accompanied by women operatives visited the club last night as guests, and at the appointed hour seized the doorman and admitted the raiding party. The night's activities were in full swing when the agents entered.

An eight-piece orchestra was playing and many couples were dancing. When the agents revealed their identity there was a hurried attempt to dispose of pocket flasks and as a result there were many flasks gathered up by the raiders. In a rear room the agents said they found a bar equipped with the most expensive fixtures, but they were unable to find any large quantities of liquor.

The raid attracted several hundred persons, who gathered outside the building and booed the agents as they supervised the loading of the club's fixtures.

MRS. L. K. RHINELANDER IS ASKING SEPARATION

New York, Dec. 30—Mrs. Alice Rhinelander has started suit against Leonard K. Rhinelander for a legal separation, alleging cruelty and abandonment. In 1924 Rhinelander was unsuccessful in an annulment suit in which he charged he had been deceived as to the race and color of his wife.

NEW SUBWAY IN TOKIO IS OPENED

Tokio, Dec. 30.—The first underground railway in the Far East was opened to the public here this morning. Running one and one-half miles underground, it is constructed on the pattern of the New York subway system and is said to be proof against earthquakes. It connects the railway terminus at Euno with the Asakusa pleasure quarters.

CITY TO RETIRE BIG BOND ISSUE

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At the last session of the Legislature, authority was obtained to cancel the existing unsold 5½ per cent debentures and to issue in their place new bonds bearing interest at five per cent.

BIG FUND BUILT UP

During the intervening years the taxpayers have been providing $60,000 annually as interest on the ten-year notes, and have also paid into a redemption fund the maturing unsold debentures. This fund now aggregates $300,000, and is available for repayment of the issue of notes.

PREMIUM EXPECTED

It is the expectation of City Comptroller Macdonald that the forthcoming issue of $660,000 of five per cent serial bonds will be sold at a premium, many inquiries having been received from Montreal, Toronto and New York bond houses as to the next civic issue.

The financing to be carried out on March 1 will be the largest deal made by the city since 1923, the nearest approach in magnitude being the issuance of $525,000 of refunding bonds in 1925. The present issue will be the cheapest money obtained by the city in many years.

CREDIT SOARING

A further issue of $200,000 ten-year six per cent notes matures in 1930. These were issued instead of the city selling long term six per cent debentures at a great sacrifice. Comptroller Macdonald anticipates that by 1930 the city will be able to market its bonds with a 4½ per cent coupon or even lower. This deal in 1930 will complete the city's refinancing programme.

INSANITY HICKMAN'S PLEA IN LOS ANGELES

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EVIDENCE SOUGHT

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—Detectives here to-day were attempting to learn whether Welby Hunt, youthful holdup accomplice of Hickman, had any connection with the kidnapping and slaying of Marian Parker.

The police possessed the facts that Hunt in some ways resembled Hickman's description of the mythical Andrew Kramer, whom the kidnapper at first accused of the girl's murder, and that Hunt lived in Alhambra, a suburb of Los Angeles, to which Hickman took the girl the day he kidnapped her and from which he sent a telegram to Perry Parker, her father. The police also previously had expressed doubt the child had sat alone in Hickman's car on the several times he left her parked in it to send telephone messages and letters.

In a holdup confession made yesterday Hunt declared Hickman previously had mentioned to him a desire to "cut up someone and strew them along the highway."

SHARED IN HOLDUPS

Hunt confessed he had come here from Kansas City with Hickman and committed holdups with him, both here and in the mid-west. He admitted also he had participated in the holdup a year ago Christmas eve of Ivy Thomas, Rose Hill druggist. Thomas died of a bullet in the chest.

AIDED BY MOTHER

Kansas City, Dec. 30—Mrs. W. H. Wehring, mother of Welby Hunt, has verified his statements in Los Angeles that he had sent a telegram asking the whereabouts of William E. Hickman during the search for the kidnapper of Marian Parker.

Mrs. Wehring said the telegram, sent December 20, asked: "Is Ed. in Kansas City?" She investigated and telegraphed her son, advising him he was not.

Advised of the police investigation that associated the Hunt boy with criminal activities of Hickman, Mrs. Wehring said she would stand by her son through his troubles.

Russian Communists Thinning Out Party

Moscow, Dec. 30—The Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Russia yesterday relieved Christian Rakovsky, former Ambassador to France of his duties as Assistant Commissar of Foreign Affairs and from the chairmanship of the Soviet delegation for negotiations with France. Rakovsky and several other prominent oppositionists recently were expelled from the Communist Party.

Another prominent oppositionist, named Preobrajensky, was also relieved of membership in the delegation for French negotiations.

The announcement relieving them also revealed the removal of Leon E. Kameneff from his post as Soviet Minister to Italy.

COLD CAUSES FORTY DEATHS IN AUSTRIA

Vienna, Dec. 30—A dispatch to The Vienna Stunde states forty persons were found frozen to death in a gypsy encampment in the forest of Bielitz. The newspaper says thirty gypsies were taken to hospitals suffering from the effects of the bitter cold.

Body of Man Is Found in Snow

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—With the throat cut, the frozen body of Ivor Johnson of Lac du Bonnet, Man., was found to-day by a railway section foreman lying in the snow near Bird's Hill Junction, eight miles from Winnipeg. A knife was found beside the body. Police are investigating.

Safe Speedy Relief from RHEUMATISM

Pain stops. Relief comes quickly as rheumatic poison is removed by T82

T-R-C's TEMPLETON'S RHEUMATIC CAPSULES

50c and $1 at all druggists

MOTIONS FILED FOR COMMONS SESSION

Ottawa, Dec. 30—With the opening of the 1928 session of Parliament set for January 26, a number of notices of motions from members already have been received by Arthur Beauchesne, Clerk of the House of Commons.

In one resolution E. J. Garland, Progressive, Bow River, Alberta, asks for the establishment of a national research institute to be undertaken by the Federal Government.

In the name of John Millar, Liberal-Progressive, Qu'Appelle, Sask., stands a resolution which seeks the establishment of a system of wheat grading which will consider protein content, and will be applicable to all grades, provided the innovation causes no delay in transit. The provision is asked that this shall not apply to cars which have reached their destination and are unloading.

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

O. Boulanger, Liberal, Bellechasse, Quebec, requests "that the same treatment be accorded to Canadians as Europeans," with regard to settling on lands in the Canadian West.

T. L. Church, Conservative, Toronto Northwest, and Hon. J. W. Edwards, Conservative, Frontenac-Addington, Ontario, will bring up the matter of the natural resources of Alberta, requesting that control of them be returned to the province.

J. S. Woodworth, Labor, Winnipeg North Centre, asks for the establishment of a system of Government banks.

In the name of C. H. Cahan, K.C., Conservative, St. Lawrence-St. George, stands a notice of motion quoting the report of the Canadian members of the International Waterways Commission of April, 1926, recommending the negotiation of a treaty with the United States respecting the international waterways along part of the boundary between the United States and Canada, and referring to the Chicago water diversion.

SMALL CREW SAVES CANADIAN FREIGHTER

Eight Courageous Men in Small Craft Transfer Coal in Nova Scotia Waters

Yarmouth, N.B., Dec. 30.—That the Canadian Government Merchant Marine steamship Canadian Carrier reached St. John, N.B., safely last night after having exhausted her fuel supplies, instead of having been driven ashore and wrecked on the rocky southern coast of Nova Scotia, was due in large measure to the courage and skill of a Yarmouth skipper and his crew of eight, who set out in a small motor vessel carrying thirty tons of coal and began transferring the fuel to the distressed steamship after an hour's careful manoeuvring in the violent sea.

The pitching of both vessels constantly threatened disaster to the relieving craft and its crew.

CALL FOR AID

Yesterday morning, when fifty miles off the coast, the Carrier radioed a local steamship company that her coal supply was very low and asked that an emergency supply be rushed from this port. Soon after another message was received stating her coal was exhausted and she was wallowing helplessly in heavy seas. As no towboat was available, it was decided to press the Fannie Powell, a motor vessel, into service and at 6 a.m. Captain Robicheau and his crew chugged out to sea in search of the coalless vessel, then about fifteen miles off the Yarmouth coast.

COLD WAVE SWEEPS PRAIRIE REGION

Thirty Degrees Below Zero at Winnipeg; Snowstorms in Areas on Plains

Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—The weather man has fully justified his forecast of a bitter cold wave throughout Western Canada for the closing days of December.

The frigid blasts which swept distant northern places yesterday had brought drops in temperatures to-day over an area extending from the Pacific Coast to Western Ontario.

Edmonton felt the full force of the blast, and thirty below zero was registered last night.

On the prairies temperatures of from 10 to 25 below were general. In the three provinces snow flurries over extended areas were reported.

Heavy snowfalls have blocked roads and interfered with transportation in the Okanagan Valley.

According to the Dominion weather bureau, no relief was in sight from the cold wave.

RAIL LINE TO NEW ELEVATOR

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Canadian National Railway trackage will be extended to Annieville, on the boundary between Surrey and Delta on the south shore of the Fraser River, to serve the new elevator to be constructed there for the Fraser River Elevator Company.

Construction of that 1,000,000-bushel elevator will be started in January and it is expected the work will be finished by August so the plant will be ready for the 1928 crop movement.

Major W. G. Swan, consulting engineer for the company, stated this morning that C. D. Howe & Company of Port Arthur would have the plans completed within a few days and tenders would be called for within ten days.

HOCKEY, BOXING TIMES SPORTING NEWS BASKETBALL, RUGBY

CHANGES MADE IN TEAM FOR GAME TO-NIGHT

Elder to Replace Straith in Nets and Stanyar to Play on Defence

Portland Will Find Going Hard; Great Hockey Game Expected at Arena

Jocko Anderson, coach of the Victoria Hockey Club, announced this morning that his team would be changed around somewhat to oppose the Portland Rosebuds, who will play at the Arena to-night, commencing at 8.30 o'clock. Illness has forced one change while necessity has caused the others.

Jack Elder, whom Jocko describes as being "as quick as a cat," is to play goal in place of Alex Straith. Alex is down with the 'flu and will be unable to climb into his playing togs to-night. Elder, who is another prairie product has been working out with the Capitals right along and has impressed Jocko with his work. However, it was a tough spot to place him ahead of Straith, whose work in recent games has been phenomenal. Elder, however, gets his chance to-night and on his showing depends his future.

DEFENCE CHANGED

An effort is to be made to plug the gaps in the Victoria defence, which looked like a sieve last Friday night when the Towers, of Vancouver, were here. Stanyer, who has been playing on the forward line, is to go to right defence, with Knipfel on the left. Hughie Burnett will not be out owing to the fact that his knee is still in bad shape. Belcher will be used to relieve the regular defence men.

Coach Anderson has decided to use a three-man defence and Shail, centre ice, will drop back to form the pivot. He will be asked to hook-check the incoming forwards and force them to swing to either one defence man or the other.

DOWMAN TO START

Chet Dowman is to start at right wing in place of Hanlon. Dowman has shown fine form in practice this week and is to be given a chance to work as a regular.

Jimmy Foster will start at left wing and Jack Sanders and Hanlon will be used as relief men.

The Portland team, in charge of Bobby Rowe, arrived in Victoria at 1.15 o'clock to-day and their boss announced that they were in first-class shape for the game.

"We have a nice team," said Bobby, "and I think we will be able to give you a good game."

It is expected that a big crowd will attend. Gordon Meeking will referee.

HORSE RACING

Tia Juana, Dec. 30.—First and second choice mounts led their fields home in most events yesterday. In the second race, however, Bell gave the punters a thrill when he rode Miss Fountain to the winning post and re-Place bettors received $17.40.

Frank Gallor paid his backers $28.40 for a place ticket and $14 to show in the fourth race.

The results were:

First race—Six furlongs: 1, Golden Shore, $9.80, $4, $4; 2, Carlos Enrique, $4.80, $3.80; 3, Miss Rochester, $11. Time, 1.22 3-5.

Second race—Clubhouse course: 1, Miss Fountain, $60, $17.40, $6.40; 2, Rob Roy, $4.20, $3.40; 3, Billy Todd, $4.40. Time, 1.47 2-5.

Third race—Five and one-half furlongs: 1, Gabardine, $3.60, $3.20, $2.40; 2, Fighting Red, $3.40, $2.80; 3, Claudius, $3.60.

Fourth race—Six furlongs: 1, Short Price, $7.40, $5.60, $4; 2, Frank Gallor, $28.40, $14; 3, Sweeping Ann, $5.20. Time, 1.20.

Fifth race—Six furlongs: 1, Thrace, $7, $3.80, $2.60; 2, Louis Rubenstein, $4.40, $3; 3, Tanist, $2.80. Time, 1.19 1-5.

Sixth race—Five furlongs: 1, Atcasa, $9.60, $4.40, $3.20; 2, Betty O'Neill, $4.40, $3.20; 3, I Told You, $2.80. Time, 1.05 3-5.

Seventh race—Six furlongs: 1, Macbeth, $10.80, $5, $3.20; 2, Friskaway, $4, $2.80; 3, Spearo, $5.20. Time, 1.19 3-5.

Eighth race—Six furlongs: 1, Highball, $7.40, $4.20, $4; 2, Dulcy Lou, $8, $4.40; 3, Jedburgh Abbey, $3.60. Time, 1.18.

W. Road Hoop Games

Brentwood, Dec. 30.—Three games of basketball will be played at the West Road Hall on Friday night, when the locals will take on the Keating teams. Interest is keen, as last week's play at Keating was very close, West Road winning two of the series by a small margin. Brown's orchestra will play for theh dance, and refreshments will be served. The line-up will be:

Ladies—D. Handy, Mary Peden, V. Handy, May Peden, T. Clark and A. Rice.

Intermediates—P. Lannon, C. Sluggett, N. Andrew, W. Buller, A. Shiner, C. Butler.

Seniors—M. Tubman, R. Bagley, G. Lannon, J. Lannon, M. Lannon.

Bramley, Old-time Lacrosse Star, Dies

Montreal, Dec. 30.—W. J. "Billy" Bramley, seventy-three, who gained fame as a lacrosse player, is dead here.

TAYLOR DUE FOR BEATING TO-NIGHT BETTORS STATE

New York, Dec. 30.—Tony Canzoneri, New York Featherweight, is a 2-5 favorite to wrest a decision to-night in his ten-round bout against Bud Taylor, the hard-hitting boxer of Terre Haute, Ind. Both boxers were reported in excellent condition.

Canzoneri concluded his training, weighing about 125 pounds, while his rival tipped the beam at 122. No title will be at stake as both boxers are above weight.

A victory for Canzoneri or Taylor will practically assure a bout with Benny Bass, of Philadelphia, which will be recognized as a featherweight title tilt.

BASEBALL TO SAY WHEN BIG BOUT IS HELD

Rickard Must Await Pleasure of Schedule-makers of the American League

Godfrey Will Not Get Chance as Tex Says He is "Bad"; Windsor Wants Fight

New York, Dec. 30.—The schedule makers of the American League—and not Gene Tunney, Jack Dempsey, Jack Sharkey or Tom Heeney—will have the most to say as to just where and when Tex Rickard will promote the world's heavyweight title bout in 1928.

Tex wants to stage the big bout at the Yankee Stadium some time within the first two weeks of September, but he can not make any definite arrangements until the schedule-makers reveal whether the world's baseball champions will be at home or on the road during that period.

ONLY IF THEY LOOK BAD

In outlining the standing of Jack Dempsey as a challenger, Tex asserted that the former champion meet Tunney without previous test only in case Heeney and Sharkey both look terrible, in their elimination battle here January 13.

Rickard declared that there was no place in the elimination ranks for George Godfrey, latest "black menace," who boasts a formidable string of knockout victories. "He's one of the worst fighters I ever saw," the promoter declared. "He fought three times here in the Garden, and never showed anything. Besides, Tunney would not meet a negro, even if Godfrey knocked out a few more setups."

New York, Dec. 30.—The Herald-Tribune yesterday says: "Windsor, Ont., race track on the Canadian side of Detroit River, opposite Detroit, is a candidate for the distinction of being the site for Gene Tunney's next defence of his heavyweight championship title.

"Tex Rickard received an invitation yesterday afternoon to visit Windsor and examine the possibilities of three-race tracks there as prospective battlefields for the next world's title bout involving the crown of Tunney.

"Rickard would not commit himself on the proposal, but admitted he was interested in the proposition."

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 30. — M. B. Twomey of Windsor, Ont., member of the Ontario Boxing Commission, verified reports yesterday that Windsor was being suggested to Tex Rickard as the logical site for the next world's heavyweight champion fight.

Mr. Twomey stated that he met officers of the National Boxing Association at the recent Belanger-Jarvis bout in Toronto, and impressed them with the advantages of staging the battle in this province, where the Government's tax is only two per cent.

Chicago, Dec. 30—Three title holders are on the ring programmes planned by Promoter Jim Mullen for the next two months, with signatures of many of his headliners already obtained.

Sammy Mandell, lightweight champion, and Jimmy McLarnin, former Vancouver boy and coast sensation, probably will be put on first, some time in January. McLarnin has considerable difficulty in making the 135-pound limit, so the bout probably will go on at 136 pounds with Mandell's crown not in danger.

Joe Dundee, the welterweight king, and Tommy Freeman, Cleveland contender, are sought by Mullen for a January show.

K. O. Kaplan and Billy Wallace, lightweight contenders, are planned for another card.

As an invader of the light heavyweight ranks, Mickey Walker will be pitted against Jimmy Slattery in February. Walker so far has been successful in polishing off heavier boxers.

S.S. Basketball

The Sunday School Basketball League will stage three exhibition games at Centennial gymnasium to-night, commencing at 7.30 o'clock.

The first game will see last year's "junior" champions, the Midgets, hook up with the Intermediate "B," Centennial Maroons, and a good game is looked for.

Next, the Harmony team, of the First United, meet the Gleaners, of Centennial. Following these games the Sunday School Championship trophies will be presented by W. Erickson to last year's winners. The final game of the evening finds the Intermediate "B" Crescents clashing with the Senior "B" V.M.D.

STANDINGS OF HOCKEY TEAMS TIGHTENS UP

Detroit Beat Montreal and Move up Close to Rangers, Who Play Tie Game

Toronto's Fine Victory Over Boston on Duncan's Shot Gives Club Boost

Last night's three National Hockey League games lacked sensational features, but they had the interesting effect of evening up the standings in both groups of the league just about as thoroughly as they possibly could have done.

Toronto Maple Leafs, in the only game on Canadian soil, trimmed Boston 2-1 and moved within a point of Ottawa and Montreal, who are tied for second place in the Canadian group. Montreal Maroons lost their chance to break this deadlock when they were defeated by Detroit, 3-0, in Detroit.

The two New York teams, Americans and Rangers, played a drawn game, 3-3, and the Rangers thus kept a single point in the lead in the American group. Detroit are pressing the Rangers.

Americans are at the bottom of the Canadian group, but only a point away from Maple Leafs.

New York, Dec. 30.—The second intercity battle between New York's National Hockey League teams ended in a 3-3 tie, after ten minutes of overtime here last night. The Americans again showed their qualities as a fighting sextette, when they overcame the Rangers' two-goal lead at the end of the second period, and knotted the count in the final session.

Johnson, Ranger defence man, scored two goals and assisted Bunny Cook with the other. Alex. McKinnon, Reise and Billy Burch, who returned to the game after several weeks' absence, owing to injuries, tallied for the Americans. Burch's goal on a pass from Reise tied the score with less than three minutes to play.

THE LINE-UP

Americans		Rangers
Miller	Goal	Chabot
Simpson	Defence	Callighen
Conacher	Defence	Johnson
Himes	Centre	B. Boucher
W. Boucher	Wing	Bill Cook
R. Green	Wing	Bunny Cook
Reise	Sub	Gray
McKinnon	Sub	Boyd
Bouchard	Sub	Murdock
Boucher	Sub	Scott
Burch	Sub	Thompson

Referees—Smeaton and Bell.

SUMMARY

First period — 1, Rangers, Bunny Cook, 2.57; 2, Rangers, Johnson, 3.43.

Second period—3, Americans, McKinnon, 6.57; 4, Rangers, Johnson, 11.23.

Third period—5, Americans, Reise, 3.30; 6, Americans, Burch, 9.15.

Overtime—No score.

PENALTIES

First period—Simpson Callighen.

Second period—McKinnon (2), Conacher (2), Murdock, Bill Cook, Bouchard.

Third period—Callighen (2), Simpson, Burch.

Overtime—None.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Toronto Maple Leafs hammered out a well-earned 2-1 victory over Boston Bruins in a National Hockey League game here last night, and the tussle will go down in local hockey history as one of the fastest and hardest fought on record. Through two periods, play waged from end to end with both net guardians holding their opponents scoreless. All the scores were made in the final period.

Art Duncan, big defence man of the Leafs, scored the winning goal. Bill Carson gave Toronto the lead in the third period, and Harry Oliver evened up for Boston. Then came Duncan's counter.

The game was hard fought, but very clean; penalties being few and for minor offences only. The line-ups:

Boston.		Toronto.
Winkler	Goal	Roach
Shore	Defence	Day
Hitchman	Defence	Duncan
Fredrickson	Centre	Carson
Galbraith	Wing	Bailey
Oliver	Wing	Keeling
Connor	Sub	Gorman
Gainor	Sub	Rodden
Gordon	Sub	Herberts
Clapper	Sub	Cox
Cleghorn	Sub	

Referees—Mickey Ion and O'Hara.

SUMMARY

First period—No score.

Second period—No score.

Third period—1, Toronto, Carson, 9.32; 2, Boston, Oliver, 3.30; 3, Toronto, Duncan, 2.30.

PENALTIES

First period—Duncan 3, Hitchman.

Second period—Gainor.

Third period—Rodden, Shore.

Detroit, Dec. 30.—Detroit Cougars, led by George Hay, speedy forward, blanked the Montreal Maroons in a battle between these two teams of the N.H.L. here last night, the Cougars winning by 3-0.

Detroit scored all three goals in the second period. Hay netted the first and Laurie Aurie, the sensational recruit, caged the second. Carson Cooper contributed the third.

The line-ups were:

Montreal.		Detroit.
Benedict	Goal	Holmes
Munro	Defence	Traub
Dutton	Defence	Noble
Stewart	Centre	Walker
Smith	Wing	Aurie
Oatman	Wing	Hay
Phillips	Sub	Cooper
Touhey	Sub	Fraser
Carson	Sub	Loughlin
Ward	Sub	J. Sheppard

Referees—Hewitson and Marsh.

SUMMARY

First period—No score.

Second period—1, Detroit, Hay, 8.05; 2, Detroit, Aurie, 5.55; 3, Detroit, Cooper, 3.00.

Third period—No score.

PENALTIES

First period—Hay, Cooper, Stewart.

Second period—Dutton, Cooper.

Third period—Stewart, Walker.

Rosebuds Who Perform Here To-night

Bobby Rowe, former Victoria hockey star, will unleash a fine hockey team here to-night when his Portland Rosebuds clash with Victoria in an inter-city game. The three men in the above picture are first-class men, and are as follows, from left to right: Osmundson, Gagnor and Monohan.

Football Leaders Are in Danger in Holiday Matches

Everton, Leaders in English First Division, Will Have Two Hard Tests

Chelsea Expect to Win in Second Division; Scottish Leaders Have Hot Matches

London, Dec. 30—As the clubs in the English Football League approach the half-way mark in the First and Second Divisions and southern section of the Third Division, anything may still happen, and a definite and impressive lead in the averages is not held by any one club.

In the First Division, though Everton are leading by four points, they have a rough road to travel in the near future. On Saturday they must travel to Sheffield to play The Wednesday, and on the following Monday must go to Blackburn Rovers, being under ground disadvantage on each occasion.

Following Everton are the five clubs jostling each other for second place. Their matchees Saturday are as follows:

Huddersfield Town go to Newcastle (Probably the best fixture in the league that day).

Leicester City will be hosts to Aston Villa.

Cardiff City are at Bolton Wanderers.

Blackburn Rovers go to Burnley.

HAND CHELSEA POINTS

In the Second Division Chelsea, now only leading the standing by one point, are hosts to Reading on Saturday, and it looks as if two points are being handed to them on a platter just when most needed. However, four teams are hot after the leadership, Preston North End, Leeds United, Manchester City and Oldham.

In the southern section of the Third Division, Bradford and Doncaster Rovers turn into the stretch well in front of the other clubs in this branch of the league.

NOT HEALTHY POSITION

In the Scottish First Division the Rangers are out in front but by no means in a healty position as Motherwell are close on their heels. Both leading clubs have tasks over the week-end and Monday they should surmount, although Rangers have to travel Saturday to St. Johnston and Monday to Celtic, while Motherwell are at home first to Clyde and next to Hamilton Academics.

On Tuesday Rangers are at home to Partick Thistles and should win, while Motherwell go to Falkirk, where the going may not be easy.

Gene Tunney writes that fighters trying to come back are a pitiful sight. But not half so pitiful as a referee who stutters

Two Hundred Golfers Tee Up In Los Angeles Event To-day

Los Angeles, Dec. 30.—The rolling fairways of the Palos Verdes Country Club, located within a stone's throw of the Pacific, near here, to-day drew the vanguard of some 200 members of the golfing clan in eighteen holes of qualifying competition of a seventy-two-hole $2,500 open over the course.

Scores of noted professionals and amateur golfers occupied places on the list of pairings for the opening qualifying round of the tournament.

Willie Hunter, who holds for the second consecutive year, the California open championship, was the favorite to take first place in the event, opening to-day, and terminating Sunday. Other nationally known professionals among the field were: Macdonald Smith, canny stylist of Great Neck, Long Island; Tommy Armour, national open champion; Bobby Cruickshank, who won last year's $10,000 Los Angeles open; Al Espinosa, of Chicago; Al Watrous of Grand Rapids, Michigan; Bud Martin, of Reno; "Lighthorse" Harry Cooper, of Los Angeles.

The amateur representation was led by George Von Elm, former national titleholder.

Mixed Foursomes at Victoria Golf Club On New Year's Day

On Monday, January 2, a mixed foursome sweepstake competition will be played at the Victoria Golf Club, consisting of eighteen holes, medal play. One half of the combined handicaps will be allowed, but no competitor will be allowed more than thirty. The handicap of a player who has a partner with a handicap of eight or less will be limited to twenty-four.

Competitors may choose their partners and opponents and arrange their starting time, and may play either in the morning or afternoon. The entrance fee will be $1 a couple and three prizes will be awarded. Post entries will be received.

McDUFFER

By BARRIE PAYNE

Little Chance of Rugby and Football Games Being Played

To-morrow's Fixtures Certain to be Cancelled; All Playing Fields Frozen

With the weather man reporting no chance of a real thaw setting in within the next twenty-four hours, there is very little chance of to-morrow's rugby and soccer games being played.

The playing fields are covered with snow frozen as hard as rock so that it would be foolhardy to ask the players to turn out for any matches to-morrow.

In a forecast issued this morning, Napier Denison, the weather man, stated that for the next thirty-six hours a northerly wind will blow over Victoria with a very cold temperature. At 8 o'clock this morn the temperature was down to seventeen and at 10 o'clock there was still fifteen degrees of frost.

TWO RUGBY GAMES

Two senior rugby games were scheduled for to-morrow with the 16th Canadian Scottish to meet the United Services at the Willows, and the Pirates to take on the J.B.A.A. at the Victoria High School grounds. The Scottish and Services were to meet in a game to determine the winners of the first half of the schedule.

In the semi-final of the Milton Cup series the Victoria City and Esquimalt First Division soccer teams were to have played to-morrow afternoon at the Royal Athletic Park.

Even although a thaw set in the grounds would be in no fit state for play. The going would be heavy and the brand of rugby and soccer would suffer as a result. It is pretty safe to count out all games for to-morrow.

Kearns Must Pay

Newark, N.J., Dec. 30—Federal Court Judge Runyon yesterday signed an order requiring Jack Kearns to pay the costs of court in the trial of his suit for $333,333.33 against Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight champion of the world.

It was estimated that the costs would be $1,000, expenses incurred by witnesses who testified at the trial which ended in a voluntary nonsuit after three days.

Backer is Willing To Stake Goodsell For Another Race

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—George Matterson, trainer of Major Goodsell, former world's professional sculling champion, is in receipt this morning of a cable from Cook, Goodsell's backer in Sydney, Australia, to the effect that he would back Goodsell for a further match on the Thames against Bert Barry, the new titleholder, on condition that in the event of a win, the next match be staged on the Paramatta at Sydney.

Goodsell is at present in California, but will return to Vancouver in a few days. Before leaving he stated that he would row Barry again on the Thames, probably in June.

Jordan River Go Down to Defeat at Hands of Portland

Checkerboards Give Fine Exhibition of Basketball and Double Score on Locals

Visitors Play Strong Defensive Game; Scottish Beat High School 33-16

Displaying wonderful combination play, fine defensive tactics and an uncanny way of finding the basket, the Portland Checkerboards defeated Jordan River, leaders in the Senior Basketball League here, 32-13 at the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium last night. The game was played before a crowded house and the Checkerboards thrilled the fans with their display.

In the second half Jordan River put on a great spurt and with the score standing at 20-5 they got to within nine points of the Portland club who called for time. Following the rest the Checkerboards again stepped out and increased their lead.

The visitors had five of the snappiest players seen in this city for some time. They played beautiful combination and their signals always worked. Many times during the evening they changed their style of play and they did a great deal of talking while on the floor. All during the evening they were calling for passes and directing plays.

HARD TO CHECK

In the first half the River lost out through not holding on to their checks. This proved a pretty hard job as the Portland boys would break away fast and the ball would end up under the River's basket with an unmarked player in possession. The Portlanders also play a strong defensive game and it was hard for the River to get in close enough to shoot. Their long shots were faulty.

Jordan River opened the scoring in the first minute of play when Norm Forbes dropped the ball through with a beautiful shot from long distance.

This was the only time during the game that the Jordans were in the lead. The "Checks" obtained the advantage with two baskets in quick succession. From then on until half-time the locals failed to score again while the Checkerboards added twelve more points to make the score 16-2 at half-time.

JORDANS BUCK UP

In the first few seconds of the last half Portland got another basket, while Art Boyd put new life into the Jordans by taking a pass from Norm to give his team two more points. The visitors got another while the Jordans added a point on a free throw. Wachter scored to make the score 20-7 and shortly after got another basket. Boyd got one and with the score 20-11 the Portlanders called "time out." From this stage on the Checkerboards had the advantage and scored baskets at ease, the final whistle finding the visitors leading at 32-13 score.

Keenan and Dixon were high scorers for the checkerboards, the former contributing 11 points and the latter 10. Boyd was high man for the River with 6 points to his credit.

The teams with the individual scoring honors were as follows:

Portland Checkerboards—Scales (7), Keenan (10), Bailey, Dixon (11), Boyle (4) and Kretzmeir.

Jordan River—Boyd (6), Forbes (2), Tervo (1), McKenzie, Fatt, Willoughby and Wachter (4).

In the preliminary game the 16th Canadian Scottish Intermediate "A" team defeated the High School 33-16. The Scottish played well and were the better team, their combination and shooting being far superior to that of the students.

The teams and individual scorers were as follows:

16th Canadian Scottish—Turgoose (8), H. Killick (2), B. Killick, Craig (15), Acres (4) and Barber (4).

High School—T. Forbes (4), Curlip (4), Hill (2), LeMarquand (6), Chapman, Bissell and Macmurchie.

HOCKEY RESULTS

Moose Jaw, Dec. 30.—The Moose Jaw Maroons took a two-point lead in the race for the championship of the first half of the Prairie Hockey League, when they downed the Regina Capitals here 5-4 after the game had been forced into overtime.

Ottawa, Dec. 30—The Varsity Grads' hockey team, which is to carry Canada's Maple Leaf in the Olympic games next year, took on three of the capital's leading amateur teams here last night and belabored them with 10-3 defeat. A crowd of 5,500 fans turned out for the exhibition.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 30.—Displaying championship form which gained for them a lead early in the game, St. Paul last night defeated the Winnipeg Maroons 4-0 in an American Hockey Association fixture.

Dalhousie Find Short Season to Be Big Handicap

Coach and Manager Tells About Their Rugby Experiences in Maritimes

Players Guests at Victoria Rugby Union Banquet; Leave For Vancouver

After Dr. John Rankine, coach of the Dalhousie University rugby team, and G. A. Winfield, the manager, had spoken at the banquet tendered the visiting collegian, at the Empress Hotel last evening, local rugby followers, who attended, wondered just how the Maritime team manage to attain such a high degree of efficiency. The two speakers in telling about rugby in the East said that their season lasted but six week, and that they never had visits from outside teams, and consequently were not able to learn anything about the finer points of the game. This information only served to bring forth words of admiration from the local speakers, who congratulated Dalhousie on their fine showing and the splendid team which had been developed by Coach Rankin.

The banquet was presided over by Gordon Cameron, president of the Victoria Rugby Union. He told of the satisfaction which Victoria rugby followers had gotten out of the visit of Dalhousie and said: "You will get some consolation out of your defeat here in the fact that you have done more for Victoria rugby than the last four years' efforts on our part. We have worked hard for rugby, but the win for the Victoria team will give the game a big boost in this city. I want to congratulate you on the fine side you fielded and on your gentlemanly conduct, both on and off the field."

CIVIC WELCOME

Alderman James Adam, who substituted from Mayor Pendray, extended the civic welcome to Dalhousie and told of the delight he had experienced in seeing the game on Wednesday, which he described as the finest he had seen in many years. Percy Elliott, principal of Victoria College, and Major McDonald, one of the Canadian team which toured England in the latter years of the last century, also spoke to the toast.

Dr. Rankin, in replying to the toast, told of the great pleasure the team had experienced in the trip across Canada and of the wonderful hospitality extended in Vancouver and Victoria. He congratulated the Victoria team on its showing, particularly the forwards. The dribbling caught his eye, and he admitted that this feature of the game would be given more consideration in the East.

ENCOURAGE SCHOOL BOYS

George Jay, one of the veteran supporters of rugby in Victoria, proposed the toast to "The Game." He spoke of the necessity of encouraging the game in the schools. Mr. Winfield replied to the toast and told of the operations of the game in the Maritimes. Capt. Tupper's name was also coupled with the reply. Bob McInnes, manager of the Victoria team, also spoke briefly.

Alderman Cuthbert Holmes proposed the toast to "Soccer," and was in a happy mood. He admitted he knew nothing about soccer, except that it was played with a ball, something like a barrel. C. J. V. Milton responded to the toast.

The toast to "Kindred Sports" was proposed by V. L. Denton. The referees were not overlooked, and Ian Simpson toasted their health, while Capt. Levien, who refereed the game on Wednesday, replied. Billy Kenendy spoke of the assistance given by the press, and Archie Wills responded.

OFF FOR VANCOUVER

The Dalhousie team left for Vancouver last night, and are scheduled to play the Vancouver rep team on Saturday and Varsity on Monday. It is doubtful if either game will be played owing to the wintry condition. If the games are cancelled, it will result in a big loss for the Vancouver Rugby Union, which guaranteed Dalhousie $3,000, and also to the Alumni of Dalhousie, which agreed to make up any deficit.

MANY FARM ANIMALS KILLED IN ENGLAND

Government Wages War Against Foot and Mouth Disease

London, Dec. 30 (Canadian Press Cable)—In the Midlands, where a "standstill" order has been in force for several days owing to outbreaks of foot and mouth disease among farm animals, 1,200 cattle, 500 sheep and 150 pigs have been slaughtered by order of the Minister of Agriculture. The estimated compensation to be paid the owners of these animals is $135,000.

Under the standstill order, no cattle, sheep, pigs or goats in an affected area are allowed to be moved to an unaffected area and a license is required to move an animal anywhere within an area where there is foot and mouth disease.

PRINCE'S FARM GUARDED

Kenton, Nottinghamshire, Eng., Dec. 30.—Stable help, farm workers and everybody else employed in an active capacity around the Prince of Wales's farm here were on the watch to-day in a fight to keep the foot and mouth disease away from his famous herd of prize shorthorns.

This dread malady of cattle was spreading to Nottinghamshire and other midland counties.

A suspected case was discovered in the herd of a Wilford farmer, whose place is within a quarter of a mile of the Prince's land. Some of the Prince's cattle are intended for the Royal show, and the strictest precautions are being taken. Everybody approaching the estate is required to dip his boots in an antiseptic preparation. There is also a natural barrier between the two farms which may prove more effective—the Trent River.

TO-DAY'S GRAIN MARKETS

(By Branson, Brown and Co. Limited)

Winnipeg, Dec. 30—Wheat: Dull, holiday market, with very little going on. While the demand for wheat was poor, there was no pressure on the market and prices remained in a very narrow range throughout the day. Thursday's export sales were considerably larger than they have been of late, totalling 1,250,000 bushels largely Manitobas, the business being mostly worked by the pool, and further business of small volume was confirmed this morning by exporters. There are foreign bids in this market, but they are a little out of line.

In the cash market there is a fair demand for all grades except Three Northern which is still eight cents under the December and continues to be delivered through the clearing house on contracts. Mills, shippers and terminal interests appear to be after the other grades, but offerings are very light, and spreads hold firm. Liverpool steady, closing unchanged.

The Wintry weather in England has brought about an improved demand for flour, but the foreign importers show no anxiety in regard to future supplies. Buenos Ayres half cent lower at noon. Argentine shipments this week total 1,827,000 bushels or one million less than the previous week, but conditions in that country are now very favorable for harvesting operations after the recent rains which delayed movement somewhat.

Australian shipments light, being only 464,000 bushels for the week. According to Bradstreet's, North American shipments are estimated at only 4,477,894 bushels wheat and flour, the smallest in months.

Deliveries into the clearing house today 315,000 bushels. Wheat inspections yesterday 1,182 cars of which 493 graded contract. Winnipeg futures closed 2¼ lower. We favor a trading position in wheat with preference to sales on bulges when they occur.

Coarse grains: Were just as dull as wheat, there being very little going on and nothing of feature. Oats closed ¼ up to ½ lower; barley ½ to ⅛ lower and rye ⅛ lower to unchanged.

Flax: Dull, steady market, prices closing practically unchanged.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
July	135-4	135-4	135-1	135-3
May	136-2	136-2	135-7	136
Dec.	130-4	130-5	130-1	130-3
Oats—				
July	62-3	62-4	62-2	62-3
May	63-6	63-6	63-4	63-5
Dec.	60-3	60-6	60-1	60-5
Rye—				
May	107-4	107-4	107-3	107-4
Dec.	102-3	102-3	102-2	102-3
Barley—				
July	85-3	85-5	85-2	85-4
May	87-7	87-7	87-2	87-5
Nov.	84-2	84-2	82-6	83-5
Flax—				
Dec.	178-6	178-6	178-2	178-6
May	186-4	186-4	186	186-4
July	188	188-6	188	188-6

Winnipeg Cash Grain Close

Wheat—1 N., 138⅝; 2 N., 133⅞; 3 N., 122¾; No. 4, 110⅞; No. 5, 98⅝; No. 6, 89⅝; feed, 81⅝; track, 136; 1 Durum, 102½; 2 Durum, 100½; 3 Durum, 96¼; No. 4, 114½.

Oats—2 C.W., 60⅞; 3 C.W., 57¼; extra 1 feed, 57⅝; 1 feed, 55⅝; 2 feed, 50⅝; rejected, 49⅛; track, 60⅝.

Barley—3 C.W., 83⅝; 4 C.W., 80¼; rejected, 79⅝; feed, 78¼; track, 83⅛.

Flax—1 N.W.C., 178⅝; 2 C.W., 174⅞; 3 C.W., 156½; rejected, 151½; track, 179½.

Rye—1 C.W., 102⅝; track, 102½.

(By B.C. Bond Corpn. Direct Wire)

Chicago, Dec. 30—Our market averaged slightly lower, prices holding within the narrowest range in some time. There was little pressure on either side and the market was easily influenced. Houses with Northwest connections were moderate sellers, while locals and shorts bought at times. There was a little export business in Manitobas but the foreign demand was of a holiday character.

The weather in the Argentine continues favorable for harvesting and receipts in southern ports are increasing. Indications were that the Southwest Winter wheat belt was receiving a quite generous snow covering and this weakened prices a little near the close. There may be fairly wide fluctuations in December to-morrow, the last delivery day, but we still favor sales of the late months on bulges.

Corn—The range in corn was about as narrow as that in wheat with late trading exceedingly dull. There was a fair demand on recessions, while offerings increased on the bulge side. Export sales of around 100,00 bushels estimated to have been made in all positions. A cold wave is forecast for the belt. Trading positions seem best pending developments in export demand and crop movement.

Liverpool due ¼ lower.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	126-6	126-4	126	126-3
March	129-1	129-2	128-6	128-6
May	130-3	130-4	130	130-2
July	126-5	126-5	125-1	126-2
Corn—				
Dec.	81-2	81-5	80-6	81-3
March	85-6	85-7	85-2	85-7
May	89-1	89-3	88-6	89-2
July	91-4	91-7	91-3	91-6
Oats—				
Dec.	51-1	51-3	51-1	51-2
March	53-7	53-7	53-4	53-6
May	55-1	55-1	54-7	55
July	52-4	52-4	52-3	52-4
Rye—				
Dec.	105-6	107	105-6	106-4
March	107-2	107-7	106-7	107-7
May	108-3	108-7	107-7	108-7

Chicago Cash Grain Close

Wheat—1 K., 128 to 128⅝; 2 H., 128¼ to 128¾; 3 H., 127¼.

Corn—4 M., 76 to 76½; 3 Y., 81¾ to 83½; 5 W., 73. Old corn—6 M., 75; 5 Y., 84½.

Oats—1 W., 55; 2 W., 54½ to 55½; 3 W., 52½ to 55.

INDEMNITIES FOR SATURDAY

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Limited)

Chicago	Bids	Offers
Wheat—		
March	128-2	129-2
Corn—		
Dec.	79-6	..
March	85-2	..
May	88-5	89-6
Oats—		
May	54-6	..
Rye—		
Dec.	..	108-4
Winnipeg		
Wheat—		
May	135-7	136-2

Liverpool Prices

Open: ¼ to ¼ lower.
Close: ⅛ lower.

HOLD U.S. STEEL AND GENERAL MOTORS WHITNEY ADVISES

New York, Dec. 30. (By Branson, Brown & Co. Ltd.)—Whitney of the Wall Street Financial Bureau says:

"With no change in rediscount rate, nine-tenths of the tax selling completed, and the market clearly demonstrating where resistance to decline was to be met, to-day's market should extend the improvement registered in Thursday's session, which latter may be viewed as having given the answer to the immediate trend by defeating Wednesday's closing rates.

"We may not witness any decline in the call money rate until next week, although it is entirely possible that the decline from 5½ per cent will start to-day as there was more money offered yesterday than could be placed, indicating that preparations for what will be record breaking year-end disbursements have been completed and left a comfortable surplus available for the market. Those stocks which have absorbed heavy selling in the past few days, which means a very considerable number of rails as well as a large number of industrials, currently close to their low prices of the year, should begin to rebound to-day with the lifting of what almost amounts to an artificial but temporary supply of stock.

"Such issues can be purchased today and held until the early part of next week for trading profits. Among tax-sold issues in which trading commitments recommended are Intl. Marine Pfd., American Brown Boveri, Great Northern Ore, Intl. Rapid Transit, General Rly. Signal, Mid-Cont. Pete Tidewater Assd., and Foundation Co. as well as Colorado Fuel and Iron. If Cons. Gas was bought yesterday, hold it, but do not buy it on top of this advance. Rather make commitments in General Electric. Maintain long positions in U.S. Steel and Gen. Motors, and buy Texas Gulf Sulphur I expect Studebaker and Chrysler to follow the renewed move in Hudson.

"Among rails Del. and Hudson should be among first to advance rapidly with the lifting of temporary pressure. I believe renewed activity in Baldwin will result in another substantial advance in this issue which will carry along a considerable number of other railway equipment issues. It appears rather certain that Rock Island Common dividend is to be increased early in the new year, a development which should bring higher prices, both to this and to St. L. and S.F."

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE

New York, Dec. 30. — Foreign exchanges steady. Quotations in cents: Great Britain — Demand 487 11-16, cables 488¾, 60-day bills on banks 483⅞.

France — Demand 3.93½, cables 3.93¾.

Italy—Demand 5.27⅞, cables 5.28⅜.
Belgium—Demand 13.98½.
Germany—Demand 23.84.
Holland—Demand 40.40.
Norway—Demand 26.60½.
Sweden—Demand 26.97½.
Denmark—Demand 26.80½.
Switzerland—Demand 19.31.
Spain—Demand 16.92.
Greece—Demand 1.33.
Poland—Demand .1125.
Czechoslovakia—Demand 2.96¼.
Jugoslavia—Demand 1.76¼.
Austria—Demand .1411.
Roumania—Demand .62.
Argentina—Demand 42.75.
Brazil—Demand 12.00.
Tokio—Demand 46.63.
Shanghai—Demand 64.00.
Montreal—Demand 99.82 13-16.

Canada Shipping Gold Back to New York

New York, Dec. 30.—Gold has begun to flow back from Canada, which since November has taken about $20,000,000 from New York. The Bank of Montreal in New York has received a shipment of $2,000,000, and other shipments are expected to follow. As the Canadian dollar is now at a discount of 11-64 in the New York foreign exchange market, it is cheaper to ship the metal out of Canada than to buy it in New York.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce also is receiving $1,500,000 in gold from Montreal.

T. Eaton Opening Branch in Kingston

Toronto, Dec. 30. — The T. Eaton Company, it is announced to-day has leased property in Kingston for the establishment of a groceteria and mail order branch business, which, it is understood, will be opened in about two months. It is planned to provide service for eastern and central Ontario.

NEW YORK STOCKS

Last Minute News on Stocks and Financial Affairs

	High	Low	Close
Rails			
Atch., Topeka & S.F.	192-4	191-6	191-6
Baltimore, Ohio	117-3	116-5	117
Canadian Pacific	210-4	208-5	208-5
Chesapeake & Ohio	03-4	202	203
Chicago, Mil. & St. P.	19-3	18-3	19
Chicago Northwest	86-4	85-6	86-4
Chicago, R.I. & Pac.	112-2	111-2	111-4
Delaware & Hudson	183-4	181	183-2
Delaware, Lack. & West.	..	..	137-7
Erie	64-7	63-5	64-4
Great Northern	97-7	97-2	97-6
Kansas City Southern	63-3	59-6	63-3
Lehigh Valley	93-2	91-2	92-6
Louisville & Nashville	..	..	154
Miss., Kas. & Texas	41-1	39-4	41-1
Missouri Pacific	51-4	50	51-4
Do., pref.	113-5	112	112-3
New York Central xd.	161-7	161	161-5
Norfolk & Western	190-4	189-3	190-4
Northern Pacific	98	97-4	97-5
Pennsylvania	..	..	65
Reading	102-6	101-4	102-6
St. Louis & San Fran.	110-5	109-7	110-5
St. Louis & S.W.	77	74	77
Southern Pacific	123-7	123	123-7
Southern Railway	146-2	146-1	146-2
Union Pacific	191-6	191-4	191-4
Wabash	64-4	64-3	64-4
Wabash & "A"	..	..	93-2
Western Maryland	47-6	47	47-6
Chessapeake Corpn.	80-4	79-6	80-2
Motors			
Nash	101-7	100-3	100-5
Continental Motors	10-6	10-4	10-6
General Motors	138-4	137-1	137-2
Hupp. Motors	34-3	33-4	33-6
Hudson Motor Company	82-7	81-5	81-7
Mack Truck	106-7	104-4	106-4
Cuyler	62	61-4	61-5
Packard Motor Co.	59-5	58	59-3
Pierce Arrow Motor Co.	14-4	13-4	14-4
Studebaker	60-1	59-5	59-5
White Motor Co.	41	39-4	40-1
Willys-Overland	19-4	18-2	19-3
Dodge, com.	21-6	21-3	21-4
Do., pref.	73	72-4	73
Accessories			
American Bosch Mag.	20-2	20	20-1
Elec. Stg. Battery	75	74-3	74-3
Goodrich Rubber	94-1	92	93-6
Goodyear Tire	66-4	64-2	65-5
Stewart Warner Co.	83	82-4	83
Timken Roller Bearing	134	132	133-2
U.S. Rubber	57	54-6	56-4
Sugars			
Amn. Sugar Refinery	77	76-5	77
Punta Allegre Sugar	32-5	30	32-2
Tobaccos			
American Tob. Co.	..	..	172
Liggett & Myers	123-2	122-4	122-4
R. J. Reynolds Tob. Co.	161	158-4	160
Tob. Products	114-2	113-1	113-4
Coppers			
Anaconda	58-3	57-1	57-4
American Smelters	183-5	182	182
Butte & Superior	..	..	9-6
Cerro de Pasco Copper	69-3	68-4	68-6
Chile Copper Co.	43-2	42-1	42-4
Dome Mines xd.	12-5	12-4	12-5
Granby Cons. Mining	42-6	42-2	42-6
Great Northern Ore	23-2	2-27	23-2
Greene Cananea Copper	147-4	140-2	146
Inspiration Copper Co.	21-2	20-7	20-7
International Nickel	86-6	85-2	85-3
Miami Copper Co.	..	..	18-5
Nevada Cons. Copper	19-4	18-7	19
Calumet and Arizona	117-4	114-4	116
Howe Sound xd.	45	44-3	45
Equipments			
American Locomotive	112-7	111-6	111-6
Baldwin Locomotive	..	..	259
Lima Locomotive	64-6	64-4	64-4
Pullman Co.	83-4	82-4	83-2
Steels			
Amn. Steel Foundry	67	65	65-1
Bethlehem Steel	58	55-7	57-2
Crucible Steel	91	90	90
Gulf States Steel	53-2	52	52-4
Republic I. & S.	60-4	58-6	59-4
Sloss Sheffield Steel	123-4	123	123
United States Steel	153-5	151-7	152-1
Oils			
California Pete.	24-6	24	24-4
Houston Oil	158	155-3	157
Marland Oil	35-4	34-1	35-2
Pan American Pete. "B"	44	43-1	43-7
Phillips Pete.	41-2	40-4	40-6
Producers & Refiners	..	..	25
Pure Oil	25-7	25-4	25-6
Shell Union Oil	..	..	25-4
Sinclair Oil	21-4	21	21-1
Skelly Oil	27-1	27	27-1
Standard Oil Calif.	55-6	55-1	55-1
Standard Oil N.J.	40	39-6	39-6
Texas Company	54-2	53-5	54-2
Int'l Tel. & Tel.	148-4	147-4	147-4
Shulte	52	51-3	52
Warner Bros.	22-5	21	21-6
Industrials and Miscellaneous			
Allied Chemical	154-4	153-4	153-4
American Agl. Chem.	19-3	19-1	19-3
American Can	74-4	73-6	74
Amn. Car Foundry	111	109	109-2
American Drug Syndicate	13-5	13-1	13-2
American Radiator	134	133	134
Amn. Tgh. & Tele.	179	178	178-7
American Woolens	20	19-6	20
Atlantic Gulf W.I.	..	..	40-3
Barnsdall "A"	25-2	24-4	24-7
Calif. Packing	75-3	74-7	75-3
Colo. Fuel & Iron	80	78-2	79
Cons. Cigar	82-6	82-2	82-6
Consolidated Gas	125-3	123-6	123-6
Continental Can	84-7	84-4	84-7
Corn Products	65	64-2	64-3
Davidson Chemical	46-1	45	45
Dupont Powder	322-6	319	319-4
Eastman Kodak	..	..	164-2
Famous Players Lasky	114	111-6	113-7
Freeuort Texas	103	102	102-5
General Asphalt	82-3	81	81-6
General Electric	134-4	132-7	133
Industrial Alcohol	109-4	109-1	109-3
Int'l C'mbst Engine	56-2	54-6	55
Int'l Harvester	245-7	244-6	245-7
Int'l Merc. Marine	41-3	40-5	40-5
Int'l Paper	73-2	72-4	72-4
Loew's Incorporated	58-7	57	58-7
Manhattan Elec. Supply	55	53-5	55
May Dept. Stores	85	84-4	85
Montana Power	103-7	103-4	103-7
Montgomery Ward	119-5	117-6	118-4
National Biscuit xd.	..	..	172
North American Co.	60-1	60	60
People's Gas	164-3	164	164-3
Radio	92-6	829-2	90
Postum Cereal	123	122-1	123
Public Segvice N.J.	..	..	42-2
Sears Roebuck	73	85-6	86-4
Texas Gulf Sulphur	77-7	77	77
U.S. Cast Iron Pipe	214	209-4	214
Westinghouse Elec.	89-6	829	89-2
Western Union	173	171	172
Woolworth Co.	193	191-4	192-6
Wright Aero.	83	80-2	81-7
Underwood	68	64	67-4
Union Carbide	146-3	145-1	145-2
Victor	53-4	52-6	53-4
Yellow Cab	32-6	31-6	32-6
Fleischmann	71-1	69-4	70-4

Total sales 2,206,100.

CALGARY OILS

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Limited)

	Bid	Asked
British Dominion	.20	..
Dalhousie	..	1.34
McDougal Segur, new	.40	.43
McLeod	1.20	..
Mill City	.19	..
Turner Valley	.25	..
Royalite	..	31.00
United	..	.50
Devenish	..	.21
Rose Oil	1.05	..
Vulcan	1.90	..
Alberta Pacific Cons.	.18½	..
Illinois Alberta	.29	..

SUGAR

New York, Dec. 30.—The raw sugar market was quiet early to-day and with no sales reported prices were unchanged to 4.58 for Cuban, duty paid. The refined sugar market was steady and unchanged at 5.70 to 5.80 for fine granulated. There were moderate withdrawals, but no new business came to light.

Wall Street To-day

New York Stock Exchange December 30

Wall Street Journal's Review of To-day's Stock Market Over B.C. Bond Corporation's Direct Wall Street Leased Wire to The Victoria Times

New York, Dec. 30.—The evening edition of the Wall Street Journal says: Despite the fact that banks called some $30,000,000 in loans the call rate remained at 5½% and the market continued its even way. There was a substantial amount of dealings for cash which, however, were in no sense a market factor. Sugar shares advanced briskly and it was said their market technical position had improved because selling to register losses had been completed.

Electric Refrigeration was another strong specialty with the recovery attributed to the same reason. Rock Island went into new high ground for the current movement presumably on prospect of an increase in the dividend rate at the February meeting of the board.

Montgomery Ward showed a better tone of selling on the announcement that new catalogue of the company contained many price reductions on products was apparently well absorbed by buyers who are expecting a big year in 1928.

The favorite motors were steady to strong. General Motors was turned over in large volume at 138 at which price demand appeared to be constant. Packard improved its position.

Late strength developed in the amusement stocks, notably Famous Players and Loews. The condition of Famous Players and earnings prospects are said to be much better than Wall Street had generally supposed. Equipments gained more ground and some of the coppers gave signs of having absorbed recent profit-taking.

At five and a half per cent money appeared to be in plentiful supply.

NEW YORK CURB

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Limited)

	Bid	Asked
Industrials—		
Centrifugal	11¼	11½
Checker Cab	8	12
Durant Cab	9	9½
Mesabi	3¼	3¾
Stutz	17⅝	19
Tob. Prod. Ex.	3½	3⅞
Un. Profit Shar.	10	10½
Un. Retail Candy	7	7⅛
Cities Serv. Com.	55⅛	55⅜
Do. pfd.	94⅝	94⅞
Do. bkrs.	27½	29
Am. Gas El.	120¼	121
Newmont	137	137½
Oils—		
Carib	18⅝	19¼
Federal	18	18⅛
Int. Pete	36¼	36⅜
Marl. Mex.	1⅝	2⅛
Mexico Oil	35	43
Con't Oil	20⅝	20⅞
Pennock Oil	5½	5⅞
Ryan Cons.	4½	5
Salt. Cr. Prod.	34½	34⅝
Do. cons.	6⅝	7
Wilcox	21	22
Mount. Prod.	28½	28⅝
Mines—		
Ariz. Globe	4	5
Butte and W.	1	5
Cons. Copper	5⅛	5½
Cresson	2	2⅛
Delores	40	50
Eureka	3	4
Hecla	17½	18
Hollinger	17½	18
J. V. Devel	8	20
Kerr Lake	43	50
Mason Valley	1⅝	1½
Nipissing	5⅝	6
Ohio Copper	90	97
Teck Hughes	10¼	10⅜
Un. Eastern	44	47
Un. Verde Ex.	25½	26½

VICTORY BONDS

VICTORIA PRICES

	Buy Per $100	Sell Per $100
Victory Loan, 5¼%		
1933 1st May and Nov.	106.35	106.50
1937 1st June and Dec.	110.85	111.00
War Loan, 5%		
1931 1st April and Oct.	102.50	102.75
1937 1st March and Sept.	106.50	106.70
Victory Loan, 5½%		
1932 1st May and Nov.	104.25	104.40
1934 1st May and Nov.	105.30	105.45
Dominion Loan		
1928 15th April and Oct.	100.50	100.65
1943 15th April and Oct.	105.70	105.85
1940 1st March and Sept.	102.40	102.55
1944 15th April and Oct.	102.50	102.65
1946 1st Feb. and Aug.	102.50	102.70
1954 1st Feb. and Aug.	....	Market
1957 1st Jan. and July	....	Market

Add accrued interest to date: 1937, 29 days, .437 per $100; 1927, 1932, 1933, 1934, 59 days, .889 per $100; 1928, 1943, 76 days, 1.041 per $100; 1944, 76 days, .937 per $100; 1946, 151 days, 1.861 per $100.

Brokerage rate on Victory and War Loans ¼ of 1 per cent.

Bond Market

New York, Dec. 30.—The bond market to-day continued to move in a fractionally irregular course, with trading in light volume. Easy money conditions remained as the chief bulwark against declining prices, as demand was no more than nominal.

Moderately heavy buying of Detroit River Tunnel 4½s carried the price up fractionally to a new high of 102¼. United States Steel 5s, were in fair demand and a firm tendency was displayed by New York Central and Hudson River 4½s. Easing prices were noted in a variety of bonds, including Consolidated Gas 5½s, and Goodyear Tire 5s. United States Rubber 5s declined more than a point on the sale of a single bond.

Transactions were relatively few in the foreign group, which established no definite trend. United States government bonds were inactive.

VANCOUVER GRAIN

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Spot and enroute wheat quotations: 1 Nor. 145⅞; 2 Nor. 140⅜; 3 Nor. 126⅜; 4 wheat, 116⅜; 5 wheat 100⅜; 6 wheat, 90⅜; feed, 87⅞; screenings, $11 bid; $13 asked.

London, Dec. 30.—Standard copper, spot, £60 15s; futures, £60 17s 6d.
Electrolytic, spot, £66 10s; futures, £67.
Tin, spot, £265 7s 6d; futures, £261 7s 6d.
Lead, spot, £22 15s; futures, £22 15s.
Zinc, spot, £26 5s; futures, £26.

Montreal To-day

Last Minute News on Stocks and Financial Affairs

	Last
Alberta Pacific	52-4
Do., pref.	97-1
Abitibi	147
Amulet	485
Asbestos	35
B.A. Oil	38-4
Atlantic Sugar	22
Bell Telephone	158
B.C. Fish	10-6
Brazilian	219-4
Brompton Paper	53-4
Can. Car Foundry	46
Canada Cement	33
Do. pref.	98-4
Can. Converters	102
Can. Gen. Elec.	69
Can. Alcohol	37-4
Can. S.S. Lines	35
Can. S.S. Lines, pref.	89-6
Coast Copper	35
Cons. Mining and Smelting	256
Cuban Cane Sugar	4
Dom. Bridge	72-6
Dom. Glass	130
Dom. Textile	132-4
Hiram Walker	66
Hollinger Mines	1800
Imperial Oil	59-4
Lake of the Woods	171-4
Laurentide Paper	117
Lyall Construction	48
Montreal L.H. & P.	90
National Breweries	117
Noranda	2360
Penmans	103
Price Brothers	77-4
Quebec Power	88-4
Swawinigan	91-6
South Can. Power	117
Spanish River	147
Do., pref.	151
Steel Col. of Canada	186-4
Twin City	50
Hayagamack	109
Winnipeg Electric	99
Montreal Bank List	
Commerce	277-4
Montreal	335
Nova Scotia	385
Royal	343

TORONTO MINES

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Trading was brisk on the Toronto Stock Exchange to-day, with prices holding firm or showing slight upward movements.

Walker's was the centre of attention with a large turnover and a gain of 2¾ points at the close of 66, after selling up to 67. Massey-Harris furnished equally heavy trading and advanced 1½ to 41½.

British-American Oil gained 1¼ to 38½. With a heavy turnover, International Nickel dropped a fraction to 86. Christie Brown recovered from its loss of yesterday and closed at 85, up 3.

The biggest jump of the morning was furnished by City Dairy, which gained 11 points to 221.

Banks were quiet. Toronto was off 2 to 278, and Royal 1 at 432.

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Limited)

	Bid	Asked
Amulet	4.70	..
Area	.31	..
Argonaut	.32	..
Barry	1.14	..
Beaver	2.22	..
Capital	.20	.21
Chaput	.16½	..
C. Kirkland	.08½	..
Corona	.12	..
Crown Reserve	.68	..
D. Kirkland	.05¼	..
Duprat	.11½	..
Goldale	.42	..
Gold Hill	.35	..
Granada Rouyn	.34½	..
Hollinger	18.05	..
Keeley	.71	..
Hunton	.25⅝	..
Kirkland Lake	2.65	..
Laval, Quebec	.25	..
Kootenay	.30	..
Mining Corpn.	3.85	3.90
Potter Dalton	.19¼	..
Premier	2.30	..
Ribago	.25	..
Stadacona Rouyn	.21	..
St. Anthony	.42	.44
Teck Hughes	10.25	..
Tough Oakes	.76	..
Vipond	.72½	..
Wright Hargreaves	6.30	6.33
Amity	.36	..
C. Rouyn	.16½	..
Central Manitoba Mines	1.95	..
McDougall Segur	.52	..
Noranda	23.60	..
Sylvanite	3.80	..
Treadwell Yukon	26.25	..
Realty & M.	.18	..
Howey	1.60	..
San Antonio	.51½	..

Anaconda Reported To Be Seeking Chile

New York, Dec. 30.—Simultaneous with the Kennecott Copper Corporation's offer to exchange its shares for those of Utah Copper Company the financial district heard Anaconda Copper will offer its stock share for share for that of Chile Copper. The Anaconda Company now controls 80 per cent of Chile Copper shares.

The Kennecott letter to Utah shareholders renews an offer to exchange 1¾ shares of Kennecott for one Utah share. The offer remains open until 3 p. m., January 20. Kennecott now owns 96 per cent of Utah's stock.

This is the third exchange offer Kennecott has made for Utah, control of which it acquired several years ago. The other exchange offers were on the same basis as that fixed in the present offer. Utah pays $6 annually, while Kennecott pays $5 yearly. This would mean a dividend of $8.75 annually on Utah stock that is exchanged.

Chile Copper shares jumped 1⅞ points on the turnover of 51,700 shares as the financial district gave credence to the Anaconda exchange offer, which emanated from semi-official sources. Anaconda officials made no comment on reports of the exchange offer. With Anaconda Copper at 60¼ the spread between the two makes a share for share basis sufficiently attractive for Anaconda to get in all of the Chile shares.

FORCED LOAN IN BOLIVIA

La Paz, Bolivia, Dec. 30.—The Bolivian Government has decreed a forced loan of 12,000,000 bolivianos (about $5,000,000 at par) from the country's leading capitalists.

The Minister of Finance in a statement to the press announces how the loan is to be distributed. Simon I. Patino, the tin king, is assessed 4,000,000 bolivianos; Avelino A. Ramaya, 2,000,000; Senora Clothilde Argandona, a widow, 500,000; Nicolas Suarez, 500,000 bolivianons, and other wealthy Bolivians are assessed smaller amounts.

To-day's Mining Market

The Victoria and Vancouver markets were almost featureless to-day.

Whitewater sold up to 150, Rufus sold up to 18½. Argenta sold at 18 here. Pool buying, which has been going on for ten days or so, has apparently cleaned up all Rufus and Argenta stock under 18, which was the price at which pool brokers were given their instructions to-day.

There was a continuation of heavy trading in Sunloch, while the volume was smalleer in Big Missouri, George Copper, Coast Copper and Golconda. Those who have been behind the Golconda move have been letting the market drift the last two days, while they have been buying in all offerings. This is a procedure which is usually preparatory to another move. The special report for a group of Vancouver financiers on the Golconda was received in Vancouver this morning from the special engineer sent to investigate the latest developments. This report was said to be very bullish.

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

	Bid	Asked
Mining—		
B.C. Silver	1.25	..
Dunwell Mines	.15	.21
Glacier Creek	..	.05
Gladstone	.12	.16
Goldsmith	..	.09½
Granby	42.00	..
Howe Sound	45.00	..
Independence Gold	..	.09½
Indian Mines	.05½	.09
International Coal	.24	.27
L. & L. Glacier	.10	..
Lakeview	.01	.02
Leadsmith	..	.06½
Lucky Jim	.27	..
Marmot Metals	..	.12
National Silver	..	.18
Porter Idaho	.36	.40
Premier Gold	2.29	2.34
Richmond	..	.17½
Rufus	.18	.20
Ruth Hope	..	.31
Selkirks	..	.04½
Silverado	.65	..
Silver Crest	..	.07½
Silversmith	.21	.23½
Sunloch	1.25	1.40
Terminus	..	.14
Coast Copper	32.00	..
George Copper	2.55	2.80
Do. (Buyer 60)	2.75	..
Golconda	.74	.78
Oils—		
B.C. Montana	..	.00⅛
Miscellaneous—		
B.C. Telephone	105.50	..
B.C. Electric P. & G.	106.50	..
Caufield Stooker	..	17.00
Sidney Roofing	100.00	103.00
Slocan King	..	.13½
Kootenay F.	.27	.34
Local Curb Stocks—		
Cal. Homestake	..	.36
Argenta	.17	.20

Sales

200 Premier	2.30
200 Silverado	.72
100 George	2.60
200 George	2.60
300 Golconda	.76
500 Golconda	.78
1,000 Argenta	.18
500 Argenta	.18

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Limited)

	Bid	Asked
Mining—		
Bayview	.04	.04⅞
Big Missouri	.33½	.35
Coast Copper	34.75	..
Cork Province	.13⅞	.14½
Dunwell	.18	.22
George Copper	2.40	2.60
Gladstone	..	.16
Independence	.08⅝	.09
Indian Mines	.06	.07
Int'l Coal & Coke	.25	.27
L. & L.	.11½	.11¾
Lakeview	.01	.02
Lucky Jim	.28½	.29
Marmot Metals	.06	.10
Premier	2.30	2.35
Porter Idaho	.36⅝	.39
Richmond	.14⅛	.15
Sil.	.70	..
Slocan King	.10⅛	.12
Pend	1.80	..
White	1.45	1.50
Rufus	.17	.22
Kootenay F.	.30	.31
Ruth Hope	.30	.31
Selkirks	.03⅝	.03⅞
Silver Crest	.05⅛	..
Silversmith	.20	.23
Surf Inlet	.00½	.01
Sunloch	1.30	..
Toric Mines	4.00	4.75
Miscellaneous Industrials—		
Pacific Coyle, com.	.09	..
Goss Packing, com.	..	12.50
Oils—		
Brit. Petroleum	..	.05
Home Oil	2.00	2.05
Trojan	..	.02

SALES AT VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—Morning sales on the Vancouver Stock Exchange were: 1,000 Rufus at 18½; 29,000 Selkirks at 3½; 6,500 at 3⅝; 1,000 British Petroleum at 5; 1,000 (B60) at 5; 2,000 at 5¼; 1,000 Kootenay Florence at 30; 350 at 31; 2,400 (B60) at 31½; 3,200 Premier at 231; 400 Independence at 8½; 1,000 at 8¾; 500 Big Missourie at 33; 6,900 at 34; 600 at 35; 500 Home Oil at 205; 1,000 Golconda at 75½; 1,000 Richmond at 15; 2,000 Silver Crest at 5¼; 8,000 L. & L. at 11½; 1,000 at 11⅝; 2,000 at 11¾; 5 Coast Copper at 34.25; 5 at 34.50; 95 at 35.00; 500 Sunloch at 130; 500 at 132; 500 at 133; 2,500 at 135; 500 at 136; 1,600 at 137; 400 Whitewater at 150; 3,000 Cork Province at 14¼.

Thursday Afternoon Sales: 400 International Coal at .24½; 1,000 Big Missouri at .32; 500 at .32¾; 600 at .33; 1,000 at .33½; 500 at .33¾; 600 at .34; 1,000 (B-60) at .34; 500 at .34½; 1,000 Golconda at .74½; 800 at .75; 500 at .75½; 4,000 Kootenay F. at .30; 1,000 Porter-Idaho at .36¼; 250 Premier at 2.31; 1,000 L. & L. at .11⅝; 1,000 at .11½; 2,000 at .11⅝; 2,000 at .11¾; 950 Independence at .08¾; 6,000 at .08⅝; 17 at .09; 2,000 British Petroleum at .05½; 1,000 at .05⅝; 14,000 Selkirks at .03⅝; 1,000 at .03½; 200 S⅝unloch at 1.21; 1,200 at 1.22; 100 at 1.23; 25 at 1.25; 400 Cork Province at .13½; 4,000 at .14; 1,000 at .14¼; 7,000 Bayview at .04⅝; 5,000 Lucky Jim at .28; 4,000 at .29; 100 Whitewater at 1.45; 3,000 National Silver at .16; 25 Coast Copper at 33.05.

UNDERWOOD JUMPS ON FINANCE REPORT

New York, Dec. 30 (By Branson, Brown)—Underwood and subsidiaries statement as of September 30 shows total assets of $31,819,056, against $31,439,627 on December 31, 1926; profit and loss surplus of $13,447,547, against $13,081,081. Current assets were $17,569,177 and current liabilities $5,071,509 on September 30, against $17,169,934 and $4,958,545 on December 31, 1926.

On this statement, Underwood stock shot up this morning from 63½ to a high of 68⅛.

New York, Dec. 30.—Copper steady; electrolytic, spot and futures, 14 to 14⅛.
Tin firmer; spot and nearby, 57.87; February, 57.62.
Iron steady; unchanged.
Lead steady; spot, New York, 6.50; East St. Louis spot, 6.32.
Zinc steady; East St. Louis spot and futures, 5.65.
Antimony, spot, 10.75.

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London, Dec. 30.—Bar silver, 26⅛d per ounce. Money, 2⅝ per cent. Discount rates: Short and three months' bills, 4 5-16 to 4⅜ per cent.

New York, Dec. 30.—Bar silver, 57½; Mexican dollars, 44½.

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In its first year of operation the new Dominion Government drydock at Esquimalt made a very satisfactory showing, the revenue collected amounting to $19,306.77, according to figures given out by J. P. Forde, district engineer of public works.

Although the drydock was not officially opened until July 1, when Chief Justice J. A. Macdonald officiated, several vessels were docked before that date due to emergencies. The total number of vessels docked during the year was given out by Mr. Forde as eighteen. These vessels had a tonnage of 86,480 tons.

Toward the latter part of this year something of the true value of the drydock was given when two vessels were docked at one time. During September and October, the dock was continually in use and all those connected with it have expressed pleasure with the workings of the huge basin.

AMPLE WORKING SPACE

"This first year of the dock's operation has proved a very satisfactory one from the point of view of the Public Works Department, shipowners and contractors," Mr. Forde stated. "Contractors working on vessels find that even with the large size ships in the dock there is ample light and air and working space and work can be done rapidly and economically. And the dock is large enough to permit of plenty of working space for the largest vessel yet built."

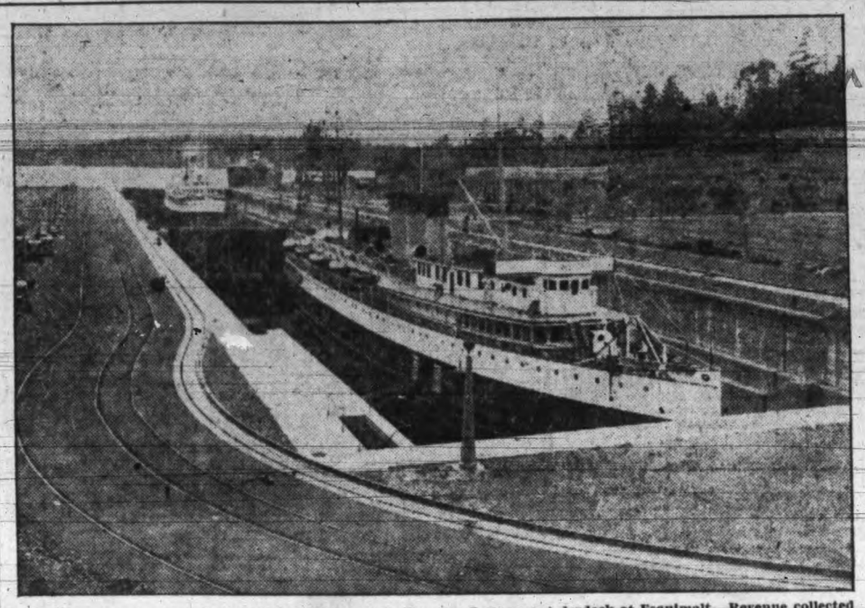
"While the rates charged at the new drydock are the lowest on the Pacific Coast, revenue collected this year amounts to $19,306.77, which we consider a very satisfactory showing for the first year."

NEW EQUIPMENT

Equipment for the handling of vessels at the dock has steadily been improved and completed. A twenty-five-ton electric traveling crane which can reach to any part of a ship when it is in the dock has been completed and installed and is now in working order and a 100-ton electric derrick, situated on the landing wharf is also in operation.

All that now remains to be done to render the dock complete in every detail is the construction of several working buildings, tenders for which are now in the hands of the Public Works Department and will be opened January 3. It is expected that these buildings will be finished early next Summer.

DRYDOCK IN DEMAND IN FIRST HALF-YEAR OF OPERATION



Eighteen vessels were docked during the year at the new Government drydock at Esquimalt. Revenue collected amounted to $19,306.77. The above reproduction shows a view of the new Government drydock at Esquimalt with two ships out of the water. The vessel in the landward section is the Ss. Princess Charlotte, while that in the seaward section is the Princess Louise, both vessels belonging to the C.P.R. At the rear is seen the huge electric traveling crane which can reach to any part of a vessel in the dock.

Customs Revenue Collected This Year Shows Gain Over Last Year of Over $25,000

Customs revenue collected at the port of Victoria during 1927 showed an increase of $25,267.77 over that of 1926, according to figures released by the customs department to-day.

The total amount of revenue from import duties, excise taxes, excise duty and sundry other taxes during the year was $2,989,214.22, the figures show. In 1926, the total revenue was $2,963,946.45.

Increases are shown in the amounts collected from import duties and from excise duties, the import duty in 1927 being $2,296,285.90 as against $2,248,773.87 in 1926. The excise duty for 1927 totaled $190,583.53, while in 1926 it was $188,990.01. A decrease of approximately $40,000 is shown in the amount collected in excise taxes.

The following is a comparative table of revenue:

REVENUES, 1926

1926	Im. Duty	Excise Taxes	Excise Duty	Sundries	Totals
January	$168,679.06	$33,353.88	$12,141.51	$ 427.83	$214,602.28
February	146,423.91	33,924.55	8,648.00	1,194.75	190,191.21
March	158,432.30	38,258.35	6,393.77	270.40	203,351.82
April	246,951.60	44,758.27	17,389.10	442.15	309,541.12
May	200,571.70	39,447.94	21,707.89	305.82	262,032.70
June	155,266.70	39,545.70	17,721.44	3,549.80	216,083.64
July	170,468.57	44,914.72	17,508.43	1,389.82	234,279.54
August	185,727.67	54,189.63	17,407.89	672.79	257,997.98
September	170,480.52	50,149.81	14,848.94	507.85	235,985.12
October	248,558.27	45,104.11	21,331.99	6,651.48	321,645.85
November	215,597.55	38,972.22	21,803.61	776.61	276,949.99
December	181,616.67	45,932.65	12,291.44	1,444.44	241,285.20
Totals	$2,248,773.87	$508,548.83	$188,990.01	$17,633.74	$2,963,946.45

REVENUES, 1927

1927	Im. Duty	Excise Taxes	Excise Duty	Sundries	Total
January	$171,530.55	$33,839.36	$13,399.37	$ 574.33	$219,343.61
February	162,875.48	21,847.93	6,133.73	4,621.67	197,478.81
March	168,579.17	29,026.71	7,370.92	4,931.37	209,908.17
April	295,196.06	56,317.71	23,130.88	4,416.06	389,060.69
May	181,023.37	45,831.40	12,572.21	454.27	239,881.25
June	185,779.79	57,521.64	16,829.22	4,501.67	264,632.32
July	164,288.73	46,264.12	18,387.22	732.47	230,672.54
August	209,426.93	39,986.68	15,303.46	10,267.73	274,996.80
September	165,632.19	40,762.27	12,034.20	623.96	219,052.62
October	245,665.46	33,137.93	25,792.33	3,205.86	307,801.58
November	231,456.74	30,910.58	19,960.49	537.88	282,865.69
December	204,831.43	30,273.29	18,669.52	345.90	254,120.14
Totals	$2,296,285.90	$465,131.56	$190,583.53	$37,213.23	$2,989,214.22

NICKEL PASSES SMELTERS IN MARKET VALUATION NOW

Toronto, Dec. 30.—Appreciation in the price of the shares of International Nickel moves this company into first place in the market value of Canadian mines. Up until the recent rise in the price of Nickel shares the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada held first place, but to-day the market value of Nickel exceeds that of Smelters by approximately $17,000,000. Hollinger occupies third position.

The outstanding capital of nickel consists of 1,673,384 ordinary shares of $25 par and 89,126 preferred shares of $100 par. Taking a price of 85 for the common, this would give a market value of $142,237,640 to the common capitalization. Adding the par value of the preferred shares of $8,912,600, a total market valuation of the company's assets and properties of $151,150,260 is arrived at. This company's mining properties are located in the Sudbury area.

CONSOLIDATED SMELTERS SECOND

Smelters comes next with a market valuation of $133,851,168. This company has outstanding 507,012 shares of $25 par value. There is no preferred or other indebtedness, the bond issue having been retired some time ago. Smelters is the owner of the famous Sullivan Mine in British Columbia. Their chief metals are lead, zinc, copper, gold and silver. Yearly production is in the neighborhood of $35,000,000. The mine itself has an interesting history behind it. In the early days attempts to mine the property profitably met with failure and it was only after control was acquired by C. P. R. and a new process for the extraction of the ores perfected that the property rose to its present position.

Hollinger has dropped out of the $100,000,000 class. With 4,920,000 shares of $5 par outstanding having a market value of $18, the valuation placed on this company is $88,560,000. At one time this year the shares were selling above $23, which gave the company a valuation in excess of $104,000,000. The Hollinger mine is situated in the Porcupine area and is a producer of gold to the extent of $15,000,000 a year. Total production since the beginning of operations in 1921 to the end of 1926 was valued at $115,170,532 and dividends were paid in the same period aggregating no less than $36,336,400.

FUEL REQUEST

Dr. T. E. Kaiser, Conservative, Ontario County, Ontario, has a resolution asking that the Government take necessary steps to utilize "our vast deposits of lignite and bituminous coal by converting them into crude oil, and other commodities."

$750,000,000 DIVIDENDS TO BE PAID NEXT WEEK

Wall Street, New York, Dec. 30.—It was estimated by the most accurate compiler of such statistics that $750,000,000 will be distributed in interest and dividend payments on January 1. This is a measure of the year's prosperity among American corporations, for the amount paid out last January was $677,000,000.

In anticipation of this flow of money into the investment market nearly $140,000,000 of new bonds and stocks were offered the other day and most of them were quickly absorbed.

As an indication of the fact that the borrower is in the saddle just now, it was announced that the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad will join the increasing list of corporations that are refunding high coupon bonds with bonds at a rate of 4½ per cent and take up the 6 per cent notes at present held by the government. The new bonds will be sold on about a 5 per cent income basis.

Dividends by industrial companies this year will amount to $1,585,000,000, an increase of over 50 per cent compared with the disbursements in 1925.

This reflects chiefly the enormous profits made by a small group of manufacturing companies which have been passed on in a generous fashion to the shareholding body. In contrast is a total by railroads of about $475,000,000 or a 15 per cent gain in the past two years.

Judging from the November statements now being published there will not be much addition to the railroad dividend list in the next few months. The earnings of the Union Pacific last month were excellent, but they compared with an abnormal period in the year previous. Those of the Erie and Lackawanna announced recently presented a different statement, the one losing over 60 per cent in net income and the other about 15 per cent.

Some improvement in the iron and steel trade was indicated in the weekly reviews. This is reflected in a quickening demand for forward deliveries and firmer prices. The operations of the U. S. Steel Corporation are up to above 70 per cent compared with 66 per cent last week. Those of the independent manufacturers have expanded steadily since the first of the month and are now 65 per cent of capacity. There is a slow response, however, to the revival in the automobile trade.

Ladysmith

Ladysmith, Dec. 30.—The Roberts Street Hall was filled with parents and friends of the United Sunday school children on Wednesday evening to attend the annual Christmas tree entertainment. The hall had been suitably decorated for the occasion, and at each end of the platform stood a decorated Christmas tree. E. E. Snider, superintendent of the Sunday school, acted as chairman for the evening. The arrival of Santa Claus was hailed with delight by the children, and each child received a box of candy. One of the main features of the programme was the white gifts to the King. The evening was brought to a close by the singing of the national hymn.

Miss Evelyn Chisworth has returned to Victoria after spending Christmas here with her parents.

Miss Nellie Inglis of Nanaimo is spending the holidays here with her grandmother and aunt.

Gordon Carley left this week for Victoria after spending a few days here with friends.

Miss Thelma Lundahl, nurse-in-training in the King's Daughters' Hospital, Duncan, spent Christmas here with her parents.

Miss Ethel and Gladys Carter have returned to Sidney after spending a holiday here with their parents.

Miss Whyte left this week for Vancouver. While here she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Attwood.

C. B. Lundahl, who is attending the dental college in Portland, Oregon, is spending the holiday here with his parents.

Wheat Shipments Through Panama Set New Record

Washington, Dec. 30.—Wheat shipments during November established a new Panama Canal traffic record in that commodity with totals of 351,224 long tons, against 173,988 in November of the previous year.

Approximately seventy per cent. of the wheat was loaded at Pacific ports of the United States and 333,921 tons went directly to Europe.

Disgraced Sailors Saved Dollar Ship From Sinking at Sea

New York, Dec. 30—Eight sailors of the United States navy, five of them being brought to this country from foreign stations for dishonorable discharge, saved the round-the-world liner President Hayes from sinking in a storm at sea, passengers said when the ship docked here yesterday.

Ten days out of Marseilles, France, they said, a terrific storm struck the ship, disabling the steam steering engine and lashing the vessel with mountainous waves. The sailors volunteered their services to relieve the liner's exhausted crew and steered for fifteen hours, until the steam control was repaired.

Charles E. Corton of Montclair, N.J., a passenger circulated a petition among other passengers asking that the Secretary of the Navy recommend clemency for the men aboard to be discharged.

BIG FLOUR SHIPMENT WILL GO BY CANADA

C.P.R. Flagship to Take Over 17,000 Barrels to Orient; Sails To-morrow

Over 17,000 barrels of flour will go forward to the Orient on Saturday on the flagship of the Canadian Pacific fleet the Empress of Canada it was learned to-day, in addition the Canada will carry a goodly consignment of potatoes.

With a capacity cargo and a passenger list in excess of the 400 mark the Canada will sail from Rithet docks late Saturday. New Year's Eve will be celebrated with a gala dinner and dance shortly after the liner has cleared from Victoria, while the New Year's banquet will be held on Sunday evening.

Prominent among the passengers will be Mr. and Mrs. Max C. Fleishman, S. Ubukata of Toronto and Tokio, Mr. and Mrs. Parkson and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Brown of Winnipeg.

N. R. DESBRISAY HEADS CANADIAN PACIFIC GROUP

Vancouver, Dec. 30.—N. R. Desbrisay was elected president of the Canadian Pacific Association of Vancouver at the annual luncheon meeting held at the Hotel Vancouver. W. H. Gordon was elected vice-president and Frank Donaghy secretary-treasurer, with J. J. Forester, S. J. Mylett and H. J. Maguire as members of the visiting sick committee.

The retiring president, C. A. Cotterell, presided throughout the meeting and on behalf of the Vancouver officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway presented R. I. Bodkin and E. H. Banks, on promotion, with handsome club bags.

TRANSPACIFIC MAILS

December, 1927

China and Japan

President McKinley—Mails close Dec. 5, 4 p.m.: due at Yokohama Dec. 18, Shanghai Dec. 22, Hongkong Dec. 25.

Empress of Asia—Mails close Dec. 10, 5 p.m.: due at Yokohama, Dec. 22, Shanghai Dec. 26, Hongkong Dec. 29.

Kazu Maru (Japan only)—Mails close Dec. 13, 4 p.m.: due at Yokohama Dec. 29.

President Grant—Mails close Dec. 19, 4 p.m.: due at Yokohama Jan. 1, Shanghai Jan. 5, Hongkong Jan. 8.

Protesilaus (Japan and Hongkong only)—Mails close Dec. 30, 1 p.m.: due at Yokohama Jan. 4, Hongkong Jan. 17.

Empress of Canada—Mails close Dec. 31, 5 p.m.: due at Yokohama Jan. 12, Shanghai Jan. 16, Hongkong Jan. 19.

Australia and New Zealand

Ventura (Fiji and Australia only)—Mails close Dec. 5, 4 p.m.: due at Sydney Dec. 23.

Niagara—Mails close Dec. 14, 6 p.m.: due at Auckland Jan. 2, Sydney Jan. 7.

Makura (New Zealand only)—Mails close Dec. 25, 4 p.m.: due at Wellington Jan. 16.

Sierra (Fiji and Australia only)—Mails close Dec. 26, 4 p.m.: due at Sydney Jan. 19.

Revelstoke, B.C., Dec. 30.—Fifteen below zero was registered here early this morning, ushering in another cold snap after less than a week of comparatively mild weather. December this year has been the coldest here in many years. Points east of here registered as cold at 20 to 25 below zero this morning.

KINDERDYK WILL DOCK TO-MORROW FROM OLD COUNTRY

Inbound from the United Kingdom and continent, the Holland-America vessel Kinderdyk will dock here about 8 o'clock to-morrow morning, according to word received by A. P. Moffat, local agent, to-day. The Kinderdyk has 235 tons of general cargo for discharge here, Mr. Moffat is advised.

CAR BARGE ASHORE ON JAMES ISLAND

Sidney No. 2 in Tow of Tug Chieftain is Aground With Cotton Cargo

The car barge, Sidney No. 2, in tow of the tug Chieftain went ashore on James Island yesterday afternoon, three cars of its cargo of six cars of cotton being distributed to the waves, according to information received here.

Equipment has been sent by the Pacific Salvage Company from Vancouver to salvage the barge, which is lying half under water. Three of the cars are lying in the sea and bales of cotton are being washed ashore with each wave.

The barge, in tow of the Chieftain was proceeding to the Canada Explosives Limited wharf when it went aground, it is understood. The cars are said to belong to the Great Northern Railway.

H. A. Barnett, marine surveyor for the San Francisco Board of Underwriters, has gone to the scene of the mishap to size up the situation.

C.G.M.M. MOVEMENTS

Canadian Importer, left Victoria for Kingston, New London, Portland, Me., and Halifax, November 17.

Canadian Ranger, arrived Montreal, November 25.

Canadian Spinner, arrived Vancouver, December 22.

Canadian Winner, left Kingston for Port Newark, New York and Halifax, December 9.

Canadian Miller, left Panama Canal for Victoria and Vancouver, December 17.

Canadian Coaster, left Ocean Fall for San Pedro, December 20.

Canadian Farmer, arrived Vancouver, December 21.

Canadian Observer, left Nanaimo for Ocean Falls, December 20.

Canadian Rover, left San Pedro for San Francisco, December 20.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners are hereby notified that the light on the Roberts Bank lighted and whistling buoy, Strait of Georgia, B.C., is reported not burning. This light will be attended to as soon as possible.

TIDE TABLE

December

Date	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	1.42	2.5	10.38	6.0	....	....	7.7	....
2	2.36	2.2	10.32	6.7	....	....	6.6	....
3	3.15	4.0	10.51	6.8	17.37	5.5	22.34	6.5
4	4.04	4.9	11.14	6.1	18.26	4.3	....	....
5	0.21	6.7	5.01	5.9	11.39	9.4	19.10	2.1
6	1.53	7.1	6.01	6.6	12.07	9.7	19.52	2.0
7	4.16	7.6	7.00	7.3	13.36	10.0	20.33	1.1
8	5.30	8.3	7.56	7.9	13.06	10.3	21.14	0.5
9	6.32	8.6	8.49	8.4	13.34	10.3	21.56	0.3
10	7.26	8.9	9.44	8.7	13.57	10.0	22.38	0.4
11	8.15	9.1	10.48	8.9	14.16	9.6	23.20	0.9
12	9.00	9.3	12.04	8.8	14.31	9.1	....	....
13	0.03	1.6	9.37	9.2	....	8.4	....	8.4
14	0.47	2.4	10.05	9.3	....	....	....	....
15	1.32	3.3	10.25	9.1	....	....	....	....
16	2.16	4.2	10.40	9.1	19.21	8.7	21.19	8.8
17	2.58	5.1	10.54	9.1	19.18	8.0	....	8.
18	....	5.9	11.10	9.1	19.43	4.3	....	..
19	....	..	11.29	9.1	19.36	3.7	....	..
20	....	..	11.51	9.3	19.58	3.1	....	7.9
21	....	7.9	12.14	9.3	20.21	2.4	....	8.2
22	....	8.3	12.26	9.4	20.46	1.9	....	8.6
23	....	8.6	12.19	9.6	21.15	1.4	....	8.9
24	....	8.8	11.31	9.8	21.48	1.3	....	8.9
25	....	8.9	12.58	9.9	22.28	1.1	....	..
26	....	8.9	....	8.9	13.36	9.8	23.04	1.3
27	....	8.8	....	8.8	14.22	9.4	23.44	1.6
28	9.31	2.7	12.22	8.6	15.14	8.8	....	..
29	0.35	2.2	9.14	8.7	13.58	7.7	19.14	8.9
30	1.05	3.0	9.13	8.8	15.05	6.9	17.24	7.1
31	1.43	4.0	9.28	8.9	16.08	5.8	20.58	6.4

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, measured from the average level of lower low water.

The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the table, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

Survivors of Schooner Wreck At San Francisco

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—A tale of tragedy and heroism at sea was brought here yesterday by five destitute officers rescued from lifeboats on the Pacific ten days ago after the South Sea Islands trading schooner, Doris Crane burned 340 miles north of Honolulu. The mariners arrived from Honolulu on the Dollar liner President Madison. Two were injured. The five survivors were: Cape. Hiram C. Davison, Alameda; his son Chief Mate Harold Davison; Second Officer Chilling, Chief Engineer H. A. Lynch and Steward Wm. Imme.

Youny Davison was on crutches. All had lost their belongings.

SAN FRANCISCO SHIPPING

San Francisco, Dec. 30.—In command of Capt. Thomas Johnson, who has relieved Capt. Thomas P. Quinn for one voyage, the Dollar liner President Madison arrived here early yesterday from the Orient.

Captain Johnson is one of the "great circle" skippers, sailing in the trade between Puget Sound and Oriental ports. The vessel came into port with a variety of passengers.

The freighter Diana Dollar, bound from San Francisco to New York, has lost her rudder and possibly her rudder post, advices received here yesterday by the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce stated. The steamer left Colon on Monday and the accident happened Wednesday.

The motorship Leme, flagship of the Liberia Line, arrived here yesterday from Mediterranean ports. She brought a full cargo that included a large consignment of marble from Leghorn, and about twenty passengers for discharge here.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Time of moonrise and moonset at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1927:

Date	Rise	Set	
1	1.14 p.m.	11.36 p.m.	
2	1.59 p.m.	....	First Quarter
3	2.01 p.m.	0.53 a.m.	
4	2.23 p.m.	2.12 a.m.	
5	2.47 p.m.	3.33 a.m.	
6	3.14 p.m.	4.56 a.m.	
7	3.47 p.m.	6.19 a.m.	
8	4.29 p.m.	7.41 a.m.	Full Moon
9	5.20 p.m.	8.57 a.m.	
10	6.21 p.m.	10.01 a.m.	
11	7.29 p.m.	10.53 a.m.	
12	8.40 p.m.	11.33 a.m.	
13	9.50 p.m.	12.03 p.m.	
14	10.59 p.m.	12.27 p.m.	
15	....	12.48 p.m.	
16	0.04 a.m.	1.06 p.m.	Last Quarter
17	1.09 a.m.	1.24 p.m.	
18	2.13 a.m.	1.41 p.m.	
19	3.17 a.m.	2.00 p.m.	
20	4.23 a.m.	2.22 p.m.	
21	5.28 a.m.	2.48 p.m.	
22	6.34 a.m.	3.20 p.m.	
23	7.38 a.m.	4.00 p.m.	
24	8.38 a.m.	4.50 p.m.	New Moon
25	9.30 a.m.	5.50 p.m.	
26	10.14 a.m.	6.58 p.m.	
27	10.50 a.m.	8.11 p.m.	
28	11.19 a.m.	9.26 p.m.	
29	11.43 a.m.	10.41 p.m.	
30	12.06 p.m.	11.58 p.m.	
31	12.27 p.m.	....	First Quarter

The above times are correct to within one or two minutes.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Times of sunrise and sunset at Victoria B.C. Pacific standard time. December, 1927.

Day	Rises Hour	Rises Min.	Sets Hour	Sets Min.
1	7	44	4	21
2	7	46	4	21
3	7	47	4	20
4	7	48	4	20
5	7	49	4	20
6	7	50	4	20
7	7	51	4	19
8	7	52	4	19
9	7	53	4	19
10	7	53	4	18
11	7	55	4	18
12	7	56	4	18
13	7	57	4	18
14	7	58	4	18
15	7	59	4	18
16	7	59	4	18
17	8	00	4	19
18	8	01	4	19
19	8	01	4	19
20	8	02	4	20
21	8	02	4	20
22	8	03	4	21
23	8	03	4	21
24	8	04	4	22
25	8	04	4	23
26	8	05	4	23
27	8	05	4	24
28	8	05	4	25
29	8	05	4	26
30	8	05	4	27
31	8	05	4	28

AUTO FERRY ROUTES

VANCOUVER-NANAIMO SERVICE

Steamer Charmer leaves Nanaimo daily at 5.15 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Steamer Charmer leaves Vancouver daily at 9.15 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.

MILL BAY FERRY

Ferry Cascade, running between Verdier Avenue, Brentwood, and Mill Bay, leaves Mill Bay daily at 10.30 a.m., 12 noon, 2.30 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., and 8.30 a.m. on Mondays only. Leaves Brentwood daily at 9.15 a.m., 11.15 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3.15 p.m., 5 p.m., and 7.30 a.m. on Mondays only.

SPOKEN BY WIRELESS

December 29, 8 p.m.—Shipping.

TORONTOLITE, Port San Luis for Vancouver, 360 miles from Victoria.

HAURAKI, bound Vancouver, 1,070 miles southwest of Cape Flattery.

BORDEAUX MARU, 1,300 miles from Seattle, bound Seattle.

AFRICA MARU, Victoria for Yokohama, 588 miles from Victoria.

CONGOSAN MARU, Yokohama for Seattle, 982 miles from Seattle.

DALMOOR, left Race Rocks, 9.30 a.m., December 30, for Vancouver.

December 30, 8 a.m.—Weather.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; fresh, southeast; 30.38; 25; sea choppy.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 30.48; 17; sea smooth.

Estevan—Part cloudy; east, light; 30.30; 27; light swell.

Pachena Point—Clear; calm; 30.22; 29; sea smooth.

VESSEL MOVEMENTS

Hamburg, Dec. 23.—Arrived: Parana, Seattle.

Naples, Dec. 27.—Arrived: Nollington Court, Portland.

Hull, Dec. 27.—Arrived: Trelawney, Vancouver.

Antwerp, Dec. 28.—Meropi, Tacoma.

Yokohama, Dec. 27.—Arrived: Olympia Maru, Seattle.

Genoa, Dec. 24.—Arrived: Singapore Maru, Vancouver.

Baltimore, Dec. 29.—Knoxville City, Sutherland, Seattle.

Sydney, Dec. 20.—Hinnoy, Ventura, San Francisco.

New York, Dec. 29.—Sailed: Robert Luckenbach, Manchuria, San Francisco.

Hongkong, Dec. 26.—Sailed: President Taft, San Francisco.

Dairen, Dec. 28.—Sailed: West Himrod, Seattle.

Baltimore, Dec. 29.—Sailed: Margaret Dollar, Eleanor Christensen, San Francisco.

Panama Canal, Dec. 28.—Sailed: Homeside, Vancouver; Montrolite, Broad Arrow, Harry Luckenbach, San Pedro.

RUTH ALEXANDER LATE

Bucking a head wind and a full tide in the Straits last night, the Ss. Ruth Alexander was behind schedule in docking from California last night, putting into Pier 1, Rithet's, at 11.45 o'clock. Several passengers disembarked here before she proceeded to Seattle.

COASTWISE MOVEMENTS

For Vancouver

C.P.R. steamer daily at 2.15 p.m.

C.P.R. steamer leaves daily at 11.45 p.m.

From Vancouver

C.P.R. steamer arrives daily at 7 a.m.

C.P.R. steamer daily at 3.00 p.m.

For Seattle

Sol Duc leaves daily at 10.15 a.m., except Sunday.

C.P.R. steamer leaves daily at 4.30 p.m.

From Seattle

C.P.R. steamer arrives daily at 1.15 p.m.

Sol Duc arrives daily at 9.30 a.m. except Sunday.

West Coast Route

B.C. Coast Service: From Victoria at 11 o'clock, Princess Maquinna, calling at points as far as Port Alice. Sailing on first, eleventh and twenty-first of each month.

Portland Canal Route

Canadian National: On Mondays at 8 p.m. from Vancouver for Stewart, B.C. and Hyder, Alaska.

Union Steamships: Every Friday from Vancouver at 9 p.m., for Prince Rupert, Anyox, Stewart, etc.

Prince Rupert Route

Union Steamships: Every Tuesday at 9 p.m. and every Friday at 9 p.m. from Vancouver for Alert Bay, Port Hardy, Prince Rupert, etc.

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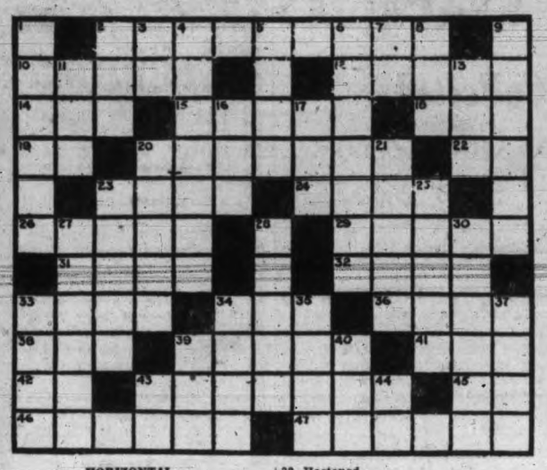

HORIZONTAL

1. What is the name of the largest American owned ship?
10. Active.
12. A pygmy.
14. Wooly surface of cloth.
15. More uncommon.
18. Wand.
19. Above.
20. Menaces.
22. Variant of "a."
23. Plant from which bitter drug is secured?
24. Small depression made by a knock.
26. Red dye.
29. Indigent.
31. To prattle.
32. The cheek.
33. To supply with nourishment.
34. Since.
36. Rots flax by exposure.
38. Hastened.
39. Shaft of a feather.
41. Sesame.
42. Half an em.
43. What is the name of the palm of the hand? (Pl.).
45. What is the abbreviation for "Virginia"?
46. Detects.
47. Who discovered the circulation of the blood?

VERTICAL

1. On what river is the city of Vienna situated?
2. Portion of the mouth.
3. Deity.
4. In what State was President Coolidge born?
5. What square measure does 160 square rods equal?
6. Who was the twenty-ninth President of the United States?
7. Preposition of place.
8. Correlative of neither.
9. Which is the largest city in Australia?
11. Aperture.
13. Ratite bird.
16. To imitate.
17. To finish.
20. What is the most famous Greek epic poem?
21. To jeer.
23. Whitish grey.
25. Principles.
27. Seas.
28. Which is the highest mountain in Canada?
30. Third grammatical case.
33. To liberate.
34. One in cards (Pl.).
35. Brilliant red oceanic fish.
37. To kill.
39. Feminine pronoun.
40. Age.
43. Seventh note in scale.
44. Abbreviation for "senior."

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ENTERTAINMENT

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

watched, quite thrilled, as on their big toboggan sped.

"Why, it's an aeroplane," Scouty cried. "It's coming right up by our side." And, as the plane came very close, a wee tot waved his hand. "I'd like to meet him, goodness knows," said Clowny. "Let's see where he goes. We'll follow him until we find just where he's going to land."

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To-morrow's Horoscope

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1927

Good and evil planetary influences disturb this last day of the year, according to astrology.

Although a benefic aspect dominates business early in the morning adverse rule is strong later.

Banks and bankers should benefit from this sway, which makes for tremendous expansion of business in the new year.

All the signs appear to augur for Canada continued prosperity little affected by political campaigns or international problems.

This is a most unfavorable direction of the stars for interviews or conferences with men who weild commercial or political power.

It is a planetary government under which individuals should keep aloof from one another, while taking stock of the year's achievements.

As Uranus is in a place making for despondency it is well to seek amusement and change of scene, while this rule prevails.

Women may be nervous and sensitive under this sway and for this reason they should beware of family dissensions.

This is not a lucky day for weddings or for engagements to marry as the emotions may be changeable and hearts inconstant.

Labor comes under a sway that is most promising for 1928, when industry will benefit owing to surprising and unusual market conditions.

The seers counsel forgetfulness for the past and hope for the future, which is bright for Canadian citizens.

Educational advantages are to benefit in 1928 by large benefactions and Canadian scholars are to win wide recognitions, astrologers foretell.

Persons whose birthdate it is may have added responsibilities in the coming year, which brings changes. Saturn promises financial security.

Children born on this day will enjoy a life of activity and happiness.

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Latest Flare

The latest flare comes in the legs of a new maize crepe pyjama suit. Starting at the knee, side flares, circular in cut, give graceful fullness.

ELLA CINDERS—Shoot to Kill

—By BILL CONSELMAN and CHARLIE PLUMB

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES—Oh, No!

—By MARTIN

BRINGING UP FATHER

—By GEORGE McMANUS

IN THE ROUGH—The Lowdown on Marm

—By HOWARD FREEMAN

THE TINYMITES

STORY by HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES by KNICK

(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE)

"What fun this is," wee Coppy cried. "Be careful, don't slip off the side. As long as our toboggan's straight, I do not think 'twill tip. Let's cling together, hand in hand. Most likely we will soon reach land. Of all the rides we've ever had, this is the queerest trip."

"Oh, look," said Scouty, "here's a rope. Now I can steer this sled, I hope." Aid, sure enough, he'd pull one end, and 'round the sled would go. "Hey, hey! Be careful," someone cried. "You'll have this thing upon its side." But Scouty kept on steering and they zigzagged to and fro.

They traveled on an hour or so. Then Carpy said, "I think I'll go to sleep. The rest of you can guard. We'll all take turns at this." The other Tinymites agreed. Said Scouty, "Sleep is what we need. We'll hold you tightly to the sled, and naught will go amiss."

When everyone had had his turn, wee Clowny said, "I really yearn to sail back in the air again. It's safer than down here." Then, with a jump, the sled rose high, and once again was in the sky. This pleased the band of Tinies and they all began to cheer.

They rode along for quite a spell, and then the bunch heard Clowny yell, "What's this that we are coming to? Just look! It's straight ahead. We're getting nearer. Mercy me, we soon will know what it can be." The Tinies

LITTLE JOE

MUTT AND JEFF—As a Lady Killer, Jeff's a Minor Leaguer

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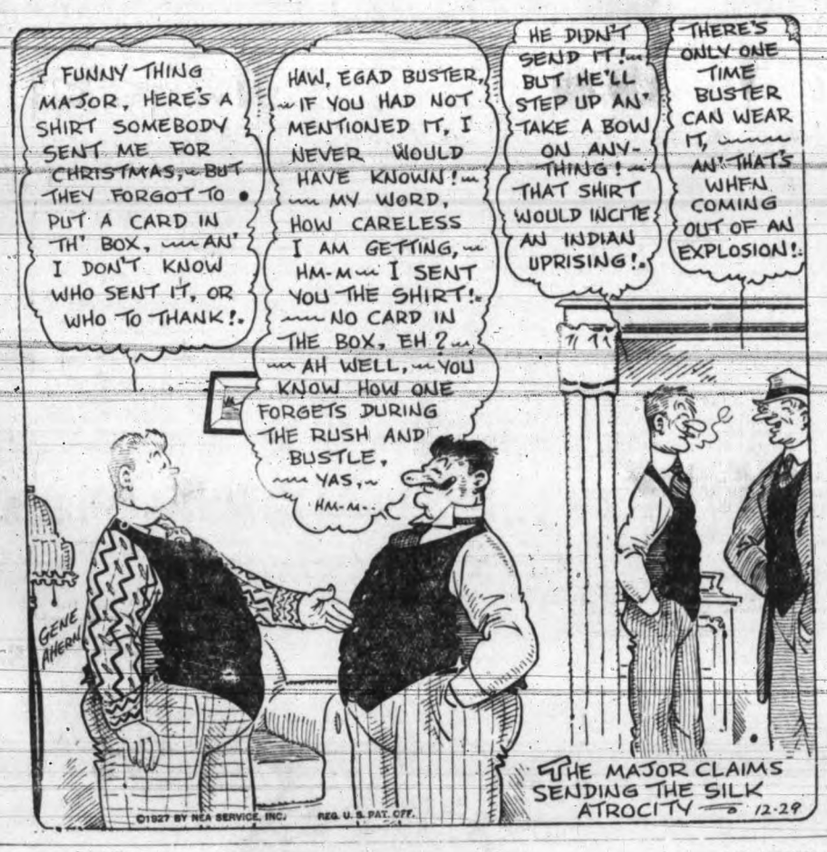
SCHOOL DAYS —By DWIG

OUR BOARDING HOUSE —By AHERN



OUT OUR WAY —By Williams

THE STRANGE COUNTESS

By EDGAR WALLACE

Author of "The Missing Millions," "The Hairy Arm," "The Sinister Man," Etc.

"I told you to wash those dishes, didn't I? Never mind what you're doing; when I give you an order you carry it out, you old gaol-bird."

"Why am I kept here?" Another voice spoke sweet and soft. Lois trembled at the sound. He told me that——"

"Never mind what he told you," shrilled the other. "Wash those dishes, and then you can scrub the floor; and if it is not done in half an hour I'll put you in the cellar with the rats or give you to the dogs, and they'll tear you to pieces! Hi, Bat! Mali!"

There was a harsh growl from the dogs and a clanking of chains.

"I refuse"—again the gentle voice—"I refuse!"

Crack!

"Refuse that! Give me any trouble and I'll whip you till you bleed. Ah, you would, would you?"

There was the sound of a struggle and the horrified girl, craning her neck, saw a frail woman stumble and fall to the ground, saw the cruel whip rise and fall——

"Stop!" cried Lois hoarsely, and at that instant, as the old hag stooped over the stricken woman and jerked her out of view, the knees of Lois Reddle gave beneath her and she fell to the floor in a swoon.

CHAPTER XXV

Lois came to consciousness almost at once, as she thought, she had been lying on the floor for half an hour before she moved, and, sick and shaking, dragged herself with difficulty to the bed.

She felt ill and shaken and sat with her hands before her eyes and trying to shut out that hideous scene. The raised whip——

She lay down on the bed, her face in the crook of her arm, trying to reconstruct from the confusion of her mind a sane and logical explanation, and always her thoughts flew back to Michael Dorn, with his saturnine face and his soul-searching eyes. Why he should weave in and out of her troubled thoughts, she could not fathom, except that she came back to that sure foundation of faith. Who was this other prisoner? What had the countess to do with this experience of hers? Was it true, as Michael Dorn had hinted, that the falling balcony and the motor car incident were not accidents, but deliberate attempts to kill her?

When the woman brought her supper, Lois was outwardly calm, recognizing the futility of questioning her. When she came up to clear away, she brought a small oil lamp and lit it. She pulled down the two ragged blinds before she left, and at the door paused for her good-night message.

"If you want anything, stamp on the floor," she said. "If you take my tip you won't send for the doctor, because he's raving drunk; and don't take any notice of that woman downstairs, she's crazy!"

It was not a very cheerful farewell. One thing was certain, she was free from interruption for the rest of the night; and she decided to put into operation the plan she had formed.

She had found in her handbag a small nail file. The slats that prevented the windows opening had been screwed into the sash grooves, and Lois guessed that by breaking of the point of the file she would be able to improvise a screwdriver. The snapping of the file was an easy matter, but when she came to the jagged end of the screws, she found both the instrument and her strength insufficient for the purpose. She tried another screw with no better result, and finally gave up her task in despair. The windows could be broken, but they were scarcely a foot wide. And the dogs were below; she heard them growling as she worked.

There was nothing for her to do, nothing to read. She did not even know the time, for her watch had stopped, and she could only judge the hour by the light of the sky.

Pacing up and down the room, her hand behind her, she resolutely refused to be panic-stricken. The blind impulse of panic, which came to her again and again, had made her want to scream aloud. What was Lizzy doing now? And Michael Dorn? Always her thoughts came back to Michael Dorn.

"I wonder if I'm in love with him?" she said aloud, and smiled at the thought.

If she was, then she was the last person she had ever expected to love, and Lizzy would never believe that she had not been fond of him all the time. He would find her. She was sure of that. But suppose he did not? She drew a long sigh. Turning down the light and resting her elbows on the window-sill, she stared out into the darkness. The moon was rising somewhere on the other side of the house. She saw the ghostly light of it turn the dark downs to silver. Then she heard hurried steps in the hall below, and, going back to the table, turned up the light. The lock snapped and the door was thrust open. It was the doctor, and he was not drunk. He was, in truth, haggardly trembling sober.

"Come out of this!" he jerked, and dragged her from the room down the stairs into the hall. "Go up and put that light out," he said to some one in the darkness, and the gaunt woman, appearing from nowhere, brushed past her and ran up the stairs.

"What do you want doctor? Is anything——"

"Shut up!" he hissed. "Have you put that light out?"

"Yes," said a sulky voice from the stairs. "What is there to be scared about? You've been drunk and dreaming."

"I'll smash your head if you talk to me like that!" said the man without heat. "I tell you I saw the car coming over the hill. It stopped in front of the house. Do you think I'm blind? You go up to my room and you can see the lights. He got out and came along the wall, then I lost sight of him."

Lois's heart so thumped and swelled that she almost choked.

"Where is he now?" asked the woman.

"Shut up."

Again a dreadful, long silence, broken at last by the faint sound of the howling dogs.

"He's at the back!"

The doctor still held Lois's arm in his firm grip, and now he gently shook her.

"If you scream or shout, or do anything, I'll cut your throat. I mean what I say—do you hear?"

"Why didn't you leave her upstairs?" growled the woman.

"Because I wanted her here, where I could see her. Find my silk handkerchief; I left it in the study. And bring the irons, I'm not going to take any risks."

The woman came into the room and came back. Suddenly Lois felt the handkerchief against her mouth.

"Don't struggle; I'm not going to hurt you, unless you shout. Get the irons."

"Here!" said the woman's voice.

Lois felt her wrists gripped and dragged behind her. In other second she was handcuffed.

"Sit down there." He pushed her into a chair, felt at the gag, and grunted his satisfaction.

"Listen! He's knocking."

Tap-tap-tap!

Silently the two stepped into the darkness of the front yard and the woman called.

"Who's there?"

And then came a voice that made the girl half-rise from her chair.

"I want to see the master of this house," said Michael Dorn.

CHAPTER XXVI

It was the worst kind of fortune that Michael Dorn received news of two early morning departures from aerodromes situated a hundred miles apart; and worse that he should have chosen the Cambridgeshire venue first. Here the telephone enquiries he made gave him little information, and it was not until he arrived at Morland that he found the early morning passenger was an undergraduate from Cambridge who had been summoned home through the serious illness of a sister and had left for Cornwall.

"I wasn't in the office when you enquired," said the aerodrome chief, "or I would have told you that."

"It can't be helped," said Michael.

He went back to his car and studied the map. He was separated from Whitcomb by a hundred and seven miles of road, mainly indifferent; and, to add to his troubles, he had two bad punctures in the first twenty miles and went into Market Silby on a flat tire. By the time the new tire was purchased and fixed he had lost a good hour of daylight and had still the worst of the road to negotiate. And it was by no means certain, even when he reached his objective, that he would be any nearer to finding the girl.

During the period of waiting while the tire was being fitted he studied the little time-table he had made that morning. The girl had been taken from the police station in the neighborhood of two o'clock, he had discovered. She had left in the car for an unknown destination, and at eight o'clock—six hours later—Chesney Praye had wired him from Paris. Supposing he had flown from a private aerodrome near London, it would have taken him two hours to reach the French Capital, which meant that he had departed somewhere about five o'clock.

Between two and five o'clock was the unknown quantity of distance. By accepting this period he had decided that Lois had been taken to a spot between an hour and a half and two hours distant from the metropolis. He also guessed the aeroplane theory was right, that the place of destination and the aerodrome were within twenty miles by car, and six or seven if the abductor drove, or walked.

The Cambridge aerodrome was an ideal fulfilment of his calculations. So was Whitcomb, on the borders of Somerset. He came to the aerodrome in time to catch the manager just before he left for the night, showed his authority, which had a more official value than Lady Moron had imagined, and accompanied the manager to his office.

"The gentleman's name was Stone. We had a telephone message late last night from London, asking us to have a machine ready waiting to take him to France, and he arrived on time."

He described the traveler so faithfully the Michael could almost see Chesney Praye standing before him.

"This is the gentleman," he said. "How did he get here?—Did he come here by car?"

The manager shook his head.

"No, he came up in a trap to the end of the field and walked the rest of the distance."

"A horse-drawn trap? Who drove him?"

To be continued

LETTER GOLF

A SHORT ONE

Here it is with another YEAR upon us, and it seems like the last one only lasted a WEEK. It takes only three strokes for the change, is the puzzle editor's guess. Par is on page 18.

W	E	E	K
Y	E	A	R

THE RULES

1. The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.

2. You can change only one letter at a time.

3. You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

BEDTIME STORY

Uncle Wiggily And Susie's Jack

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By HOWARD R. GARIS

Sammie Littletail, the rabbit boy with whom Uncle Wiggily had lived before Mr. Longears got a wife and children of his own—Sammie Littletail was hopping down the street as fast as he could hop.

"What's the matter?" called Uncle Wiggily. The rabbit gentleman had stepped out on his front porch to let his pink, twinkling nose get a little fresh air and thus he saw the rabbit boy. "What's the matter, Sammie?"

"Susie is chasing me with a stick!" answered Sammie, hopping on faster than before.

"That's a queer thing for Susie to do," said Uncle Wiggily, "especially in Christmas week. Are you sure about it, Sammie?"

"Look behind you and see," advised the rabbit boy. And when Uncle Wiggily had looked, lo and behold, as they

"Susie is chasing me with a stick!" answered Sammie

say in fairy stories, there was Susie running along with a stick in her paws.

"She's chasing you, now!" gasped Sammie. "You'd better run along with me, Uncle Wiggily! Hurry! Here comes Susie with her stick!"

Sammie was going to hop along, but Uncle Wiggily caught him by one ear, held him from running away and called out:

"Nonsense! There must be some mistake. Susie isn't chasing either of us. Are you Susie?" asked Uncle Wiggily, for, by this time, the little girl rabbit was much closer.

"Of course I'm not chasing you," Susie answered.

"Then what are you got that stick for?" Sammie wanted to know.

"That's the stick my Christmas Jumping Jack was one," explained Susie, holding it up for her brother and Uncle Wiggily to see. "But he's gone now."

"Who is gone?" asked Mr. Longears.

"My Jack," went on Susie. "This is his stick," she said again. "Oh, he was a lovely Jumping Jack," she sighed "When I pushed him up and down on this stick he turned somersaults and everything. I was making him do tricks a little while ago, when, all of a sudden, he jumped off the stick and sailed away through the air. So I began to run after him with his stick, hoping I could find him and put him back on."

"Oh, so that's why you were running with the stick?" asked Sammie.

"Yes, that's why," replied Susie. "I wasn't chasing you or Uncle Wiggily at all. I was just chasing Jack and I wish you'd help me find him. I want my Christmas toy again."

"We'll help you find your Jack," offered Uncle Wiggily kindly. "Hop along Sammie." So the three rabbits, one big and two little, started off through Wood Land to find the missing Jumping Jack. They hunted high and they hunted low and, all of a sudden, Sammie shouted:

"Here he is! I've found Jack!" The rabbit boy pointed to the gay, red Christmas toy perched on an old mulberry bush not far away.

"Oh, Jack! Come back!" begged Susie.

"Ha! Ha! No, I'm not coming back!" cried pack. "I'm free now, and off my stick, and I'm going to have some fun!" Away he jumped through the air, sailing along like a balloon, with Sammie, Susie and Uncle Wiggily hopping after him.

"He won't go far," said Mr. Longears. "Jack will soon get tired of jumping around and then we can catch him." So again they hunted high and low for him and then Uncle Wiggily called: "Here he is!" and there, on a sassafras bush, was the Christmas toy once more.

"Come back on your stick!" begged Susie.

"Not yet!" shouted Jack, and away he jumped. This time he jumped toward a big, fuzzy, evergreen tree and as he landed among the branches Jack yelled: "Oh, my goodness! Oh, dear! Save me! Save Me!" and suddenly he jumped back off the evergreen tree, right upon the stick in Susie's paws. "Oh, what a fright!" gasped Jumping Jack.

"Well, you're safe now, but what happened?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"Oh, the Fuzzy Fox is hiding under that tree. I saw his bushy tail!" panted Jack. "I nearly jumped on him. Oh, the Fox!"

"If the Fox is there we had better run," said Sammie. But Uncle Wiggily was feeling brave that day. So he went closer to the evergreen tree to look. And when he had taken a look he began to laugh.

"Come and see Jack's Fox!" chuckled the rabbit gentleman. And when Sammie and Susie looked there was nothing but an old dusting brush half covered with snow.

"Well," said Jack as he began once more to jump around his stick, "it looked like a Fox, anyhow. But I'm glad it wasn't."

"So am I," said Sammie. So the three rabbits went home happy, and if the candy cane will take the lollypop stick out for a ride I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Floppy's sled.

"WE'S" OTHER HEART AND SOUL—Nearly 40,000 miles the radial whirlwind motor of Lindy's "Spirit of St. Louis" has carried "We" over half the western hemisphere. This unfamiliar view of its staunch nine cylinders was made while Milton Wilson was overhauling it at Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., after Lindy's

ON THE AIR

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

CFCT (475.9) Victoria, B.C.
4 p.m.—Orthophonic recital by courtesy of Fletcher Brothers' Music House.
6.30 p.m.—What's doing in town.
7.10 p.m.—New York stock quotations from the B.C. Bond Corporation; weather reports and forecast.
7.28 p.m.—McGill Observatory time signal; West Coast information service and news broadcast; Auntie Babs' programme for the children.
8 p.m.—Studio programme, presented by the Victoria Radio Club.

National Broadcasting Company
8-9 p.m.—Wrigley Review.
9-10 p.m.—Memory Lane.

KPO (422.3) San Francisco, Cal.
5-6 p.m.—Children's hour.
6.30-7.30 p.m.—Organist; violinist.
8-10 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
10-12 p.m.—Dance orchestra.

KJR (348.6) Seattle, Wash.
5-5.30 p.m.—Junior hour.
5.30-5.45 p.m.—Studio programme.
5.45-6 p.m.—Stock quotations.
6-6.30 p.m.—Sports.
6.30-7.30 p.m.—Dinner concert.
7.30-8 p.m.—Dance orchestra.
8-9 p.m.—Flower Shop trio.
9-10 p.m.—Studio programme.
10-12 p.m.—Dance orchestra.

KGW (491) Portland, Ore.
7-7.30 p.m.—Concert.
7.30-7.40 p.m.—Utility service.
7.40-8 p.m.—Music.
8-9 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
9-10 p.m.—Theatre party.
10-10.20 p.m.—Entertainers.
10.30-12 p.m.—Hoot Owls.

KFWO (299.8) Avalon, Cal.
5-6 p.m.—Golden Hour.
6-6.30 p.m.—Theatre organ.
6.30-8 p.m.—Orchestra.

KFRC (454.3) San Francisco, Cal.
5.30-6.30 p.m.—Mac and his gang.
6.20-6.30 p.m.—Stage and screen.
6.30-7.30 p.m.—The Cecilians.
8-9 p.m.—Concert orchestra.
9-10 p.m.—Dance orchestra.
10-11 p.m.—Dance orchestra.
11-12 p.m.—Dance orchestra.

KOIN (319.0) Portland, Ore.
6-7 p.m.—Dinner concert.
7.15-8 p.m.—Orchestra.
8-8.40 p.m.—String orchestra.
8.40-9 p.m.—Studio artists' programme.
10-11.30 p.m.—Dance band.

KGER (215.7) Long Beach, Cal.
5-6 p.m.—Children's programme.
6-7 p.m.—Request programme.
7-7.30 p.m.—Cornhuskers.
7.30-9 p.m.—Municipal band.
9-10 p.m.—Studio programme.
10.15-12 p.m.—Blue three.

KJBS (229) San Francisco, Cal.
8-9.30 p.m.—Orthophonic selections.
9.30-11 p.m.—Studio programme.

KFWI (267.7) San Francisco, Cal.
5-5.30 p.m.—Brunswick concert.
7-7.15 p.m.—Sports review.
7.15-7.30 p.m.—Art course.
8-8.30 p.m.—Soprano.
8.30-9 p.m.—Studio programme.
9-10 p.m.—Weird Jungle Jazz.
10-10.03 p.m.—Police reports.
10.03-11 p.m.—Popular music.

KFUS (256.3) Oakland, Cal.
8-9 p.m.—Studio programme.

KTA B(280.2) Oakland, Cal.
6.45-7.30 p.m.—Shopping hour.
8-10 p.m.—Zocks.

KFOA (447.5) Seattle, Wash.
5-6 p.m.—Children's programme.
6-6.30 p.m.—Special hour.
6.45-7 p.m.—Touring information.
7-8 p.m.—Concert orchestra.
8-9 p.m.—Trio.
9-10 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
10.30-12 p.m.—Hoot Owls.

KPLA (232) Los Angeles, Cal.
5-5.30 p.m.—Spanish course.
5-6 p.m.—Sundown frolic.
6-7 p.m.—Quartette; orchestra.
7-7.30 p.m.—Studio programme.
7.30-8 p.m.—Basso; tenor.
8-9 p.m.—String trio.
9-10 p.m.—Theatre programme.
10-11 p.m.—Palais de Dance.

KTBR (282.8) Portland, Ore.
6-6.50 p.m.—Dinner concert.
8-8.35 p.m.—Classical programme.
8.30-9 p.m.—Semi-classical programme.
9-10 p.m.—Popular programme.
10-12 p.m.—Dance music.

KFI (468.5) Los Angeles, Cal.
5.30 p.m.—Tenor ballads; pianist.
6.15 p.m.—Radiotorial period.
7 p.m.—Programme.
8 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
9 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
10 p.m.—Baritone; contralto.

KFWM (236.1) Oakland, Cal.
8-8.30 p.m.—Soprano solos.
8.30-10 p.m.—Musical contest.

KLX (508) Oakland, Cal.
5.30-6.30 p.m.—Brother Bob's Club.
6.30-7 p.m.—Dinner concert.
8-9 p.m.—Opera hour.
9-10 p.m.—Orchestra.

KGO (384.4) Oakland, Cal.
5.30 p.m.—Land-O-Health.
6-6.45 p.m.—Dinner concert.
6.55-7.30 p.m.—Baseball.
8-9 p.m.—Wrigley Hour.
9-10 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
10-11 p.m.—Dance orchestra.

KFQW (217.3) Seattle, Wash.
6-7 p.m.—Dinner hour concert.
7-7.15 p.m.—Talks on science.
7.15-7.30 p.m.—Weekly health chat.
8.30-9 p.m.—Sportsmen.
9-9.30 p.m.—Soprano.
10-11 p.m.—Pipe organ music.
11-12 p.m.—Dance music.

CNRV (291) Vancouver, B.C.
7.30-8 p.m.—Children's period.
8.30-9 p.m.—Address.
9-10 p.m.—Three-act drama.
10-11 p.m.—Belmont orchestra.

KYA (309.1) San Francisco, Cal.
8-10 p.m.—Theatre studios.
10-11 p.m.—Nine orchestrians.

KOMO (306) Seattle, Wash.
5.15-5.45 p.m.—Kiddies' programme.
6.15-6.45 p.m.—Concert orchestra.
6.45-7 p.m.—Duets.
7-8 p.m.—Orchestra.
8-10 p.m.—N.B.C. programme.
10-11 p.m.—Negro sketch.
11-12 p.m.—Recording orchestra.
12 p.m.-12.30 a.m.—Tenor; baritone.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

CFCT (475.9) Victoria, B.C.
8 a.m.—New York stock quotations from the B.C. Bond Corporation.

Fewer Suspended Sentences Urged Now in Seattle

Seattle, Dec. 30.—Ewing D. Colvin, King County prosecutor, declaring that "the dreadful kidnapping and slaying of Marian Parker never would have occurred had William E. Hickman, confessed slayer, been placed in jail when convicted on a forgery charge, urges suspended sentences be abolished.

"First offenders escape jail sentences nine times out of ten," Colvin asserted, "and invariably they commit a second crime which might have been prevented had they been sent to jail after the first offence. I find no fault with Seattle courts, but I do recommend that our judges refrain from showing so much leniency. Of course there are times when a suspended sentence is justified, but such a sentence should be the exception instead of the rule."

Safety Zones For Street Car Stops

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Roped-off zones or platforms, placed in the streets for pedestrians intending to board street cars, and on which passengers could alight from street cars, instead of the present system of requiring vehicular traffic to halt when street cars stop is the suggestion of Alderman Theodore Morgan of this city, president of the Royal Automobile Club of Canada. In an address here he told why he favored the zoning system for patrons of street cars and allowing automobiles and other vehicles to continue running at the speed prescribed by the city regardless of the stoppage of the street cars.

Alderman Morgan said the present rule of prohibiting vehicles from passing standing street cars caused serious congestion in the street traffic. When a street car started again there was a mad rush of motor cars to get ahead before the next street car stop was reached.

The alderman said a happy relationship between street car traffic and motor car traffic could not be obtained when the two were on the same street. He said it was never intended the two should be on the same street. As conditions were however, he believed his suggested arrangement for the relief of traffic congestion would work out satisfactorily.

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Boy of Eight Years Makes Long Journey

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 30.—Having made the journey from Scotland unaccompanied, James Truscott, aged eight years, was reunited here with his mother, whom he had not seen for five years. Mrs. Truscott came to this country five years ago, leaving her three-year-old son with relatives in Glasgow. Recently she found herself in a position to have him join her in this country, and he arrived just in time to celebrate Christmas.

The Answer

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Here is one solution to the letter golf GOLF puzzle on page 17.

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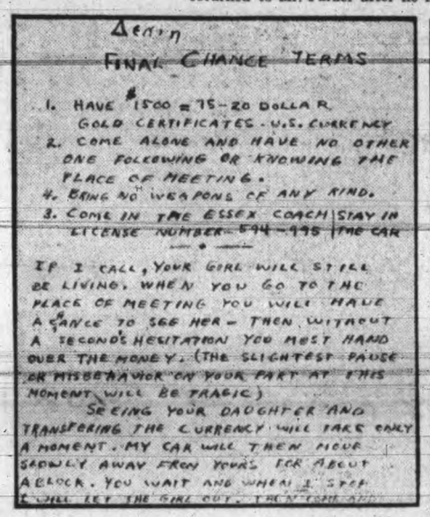
MARIAN, HER MOTHER AND TWIN SISTER—Mrs. Perry M. Parker of Los Angeles is shown with her daughter, Marian (left), who was kidnapped and slain by bandits, and Marian's twin sister (right) Marjorie. Marian was abducted by a young man who said he had come to take her to her supposedly-injured father. Her body was returned to Mr. Parker after he had paid $1,500 ransom for her return.



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SEEING YOUR DAUGHTER AND TRANSFERRING THE CURRENCY WILL TAKE ONLY A MOMENT. MY CAR WILL THEN MOVE SLOWLY AWAY FROM YOURS FOR ABOUT A BLOCK. YOU WAIT AND WHEN I STOP I WILL LET THE GIRL OUT. THEN COME AND GET HER WHILE I DRIVE AWAY AND I WILL GO SLOW. THIS GIVES YOU A CHANCE TO FOLLOW WHEN YOU GET THE GIRL.

BE SURE AND WAIT TILL MY CAR PULLS UP AHEAD AND STOPS AND YOU SEE ME PUT THE GIRL OUT BEFORE YOU START UP. DONT ACT EXCITED OR THINK I WILL RUN AWAY WITH MARIAN.

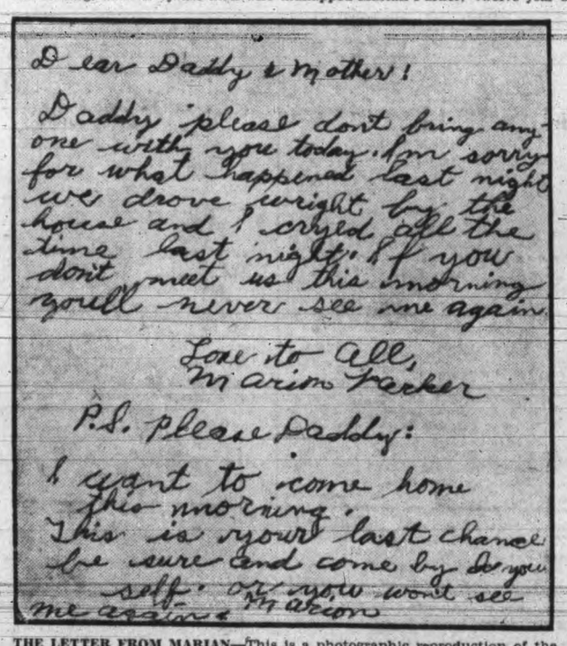
I WILL DO AS I SAY.

AND I HOPE TO GOD YOU WILL HAVE SENSE ENOUGH TO DO EXACTLY AS I HAVE SAID.

WELL, IT'S NOT TO WORRY ME IF YOU BLUNDER AGAIN. I HAVE CERTAINLY DONE MY PART TO WARN AND ADVISE YOU.

FATE-FOX

NOTE FROM THE KIDNAPPER-SLAYER—This is the note, Marked "Death" and signed "Fate-Fox," which police are holding, written by the man who kidnapped Marian Parker, twelve-year-old Los Angeles girl, and killed her.



Dear Daddy & Mother!

Daddy please don't bring anyone with you today. I'm sorry for what happened last night we drove straight by the house and I cried all the time last night. If you don't meet us this morning you'll never see me again.

Love to all,
Marion Parker

P.S. Please Daddy:
I want to come home this morning.
This is your last chance be sure and come by yourself or you won't see me again. Marion

THE LETTER FROM MARIAN—This is a photographic reproduction of the letter Perry M. Parker received from his daughter, Marian, while she was in the hands of kidnappers who demanded $1,500 ransom for the safe return and then after it was paid gave the father the body of the girl.

FATHER—Perry M. Parker is the father of Marian Parker, twelve-year-old Los Angeles girl killed by her kidnappers. He paid a $1,500 ransom demanded for the return of the girl, and then was given her body.

STEADY PROGRESS THROUGH POLICY OF IMPROVEMENT

B.C. Electric Maintains High Standard of Efficiency in 1927

Gas Department Meets Success; Is Well Administered Utility

Vast improvements, including the building of a new gas plant, the laying of miles of new gas-mains, the building of new miles of trackage and reconstruction in their plants, have been carried out by the British Columbia Electric Railway Company during the past year.

The company has spent thousands in building up their plant in order to give British Columbia the finest possible street car, gas and electrical service.

On Vancouver Island the majority of improvements during the year have been confined to the Jordon River power plant. During the Summer a steady crew of workmen was kept busy constructing additions to the plant, until now it is one of the finest in the Dominion.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Another feature of the company's work this year was the provisional allotment of new deferred ordinary shares, notice of which was posted to the shareholders November 23.

Throughout the year the company's plant has been well maintained and compares favorably with that of any other company. The necessary renewals and renovations which are continualy proceeding, help to maintain the high standard of operating efficiency for which the B. C. Electric is famed.

During the past year the transmission line system from Lake Buntzen and Stave Lake, two of the water powers to Vancouver, has been remodelled and reconstructed, and the work done has reduced the possibility of breakdowns to a mere fraction of what it was originally.

NEW TRACK LAID

In the railway department much of the old temporary track within the City of Vancouver and Point Grey has been replaced by permanent double-tracking. An automatic interlocking plant was installed at Ardley, on the Burnaby Lake branch, in substitution for the manually operated plant, at a cost of some $15,000.

The rolling stock has been well maintained, and great improvement has been made in the repainting of all the cars to a carmine color, which is the standard of the company's new equipment. Simultaneously a complete overhaul of the woodwork of the cars is being carried out.

BETTER SERVICE

Improvements have also been made in connection with the gas department. Sixty-seven miles of new mains and forty-one miles of lateral service pipes have been installed in new territory served by this branch of the company. A great deal of new pipe was laid in the Fairfield district this year.

Selling campaigns are continuously being carried on by the light and power merchandising department for the sale of electrical appliances. An illustration of their efforts in this direction is the steady demand for electric ranges, of which there are now installed on the system 3,579. This is increase of 128 per cent since 1924.

INCREASED DEMAND

Officials of the company state how the demand for electricity is increasing so rapidly that they are forced to look ahead and provide additional sources of supply.

This they are doing through the development of the Bridge River Power some 135 miles from Vancouver. The first development will take at least three years, and will probably cost some $11,000,000.

Another important step in the history of the company was witnessed at the meeting held in London when the directors passed a resolution increasing the capital of the company by the creation of 1,000,000 new shares.

TREATY EXTENDED

Berlin, Dec. 30.—The German-Mexican Amity, Trade and Shipping Treaty has been extended until December 31, 1928. The treaty was to have expired April 21, 1927, but was extended to December 31, 1927.

Those old enemies, gas, acidity, pain and discomfort are soon knocked for a fare-thee-well by Seigel's Syrup. Any drug store. (Advt.)

GIRL MURDERED BY KIDNAPPER

This is Marian Parker, little Los Angeles girl who was found murdered a few days after she had been kidnapped. Discovery of her body was made by her father, who had just paid ransom money for her safe release. The crime has stirred Los Angeles as has no murder in many years. The above picture was taken a few days before the girl was kidnapped.

SCOTS WILL MOUNT GUARD AT MEMORIAL

To Pay Last Respects of Year to War Heroes

The 16th. Battalion, Canadian Scottish, will mount a full guard at the War Memorial at sundown on Saturday, New Year's Eve, for the purpose of paying the last respects of the year to those in whose honor the Memorial has been erected.

The guard will parade 100 strong, under the command of Capt. Thurburn, and Lieuts. Barton and Mathews, in field service uniform, in addition to which all the N. C. O.'s who served during the war will accompany the guard.

The last post will be sounded and the guard will present arms in honor of those who have fallen in the service of the empire, and will give a general salute. This will be followed by the sounding of the reveille.

It is anticipated that this ceremony will attract a large number of people, it being the first occasion such has taken place in Victoria.

The guard will be accompanied by the pipe band, which will play the retreat and the lament.

Langford

Langford, Dec. 30—A delightful evening was spent at the Women's Institute hall on Wednesday when the teachers of the afternoon Sunday school entertained their pupils.

Twenty-seven children and their parents sat down to a bountifully laden table, prettily adorned with large lighted red candles.

Herbert Pearce, superintendent, presided. Merry games, clever connundrums and other competitions were enjoyed. Through the generosity of Mrs. L. G. Wilkinson, seven prizes were presented to the following scholars: For regular attendance during the year—1, Miss Ruth Pearce; 2, Eileen Hincks; 3, Stella Hincks. Boys—1, Stanley Jackson; 2, Wilbur Pearce; 3, Thomas Dixon and Rex Jackson. Hearty cheers were given the superintendent, Mrs. Wilkinson, the teachers and helpers.

Gifts of pretty souvenir boxes, containing nuts and candy, apples and oranges, were given to every child. The helpers assisting at tea and games included Mr. and Mrs. H. Pearce, Mrs. L. G. Wilkinson, Mrs. George Newberry, Mrs. H. A. Hincks, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Miss L. Savory and Miss Helen Newbury.

The annual meeting of the members of the Langford Women's Institute will be held in their hall on Dunford Avenue on Tuesday afternoon, January 3, at 2 p.m. The election of officers will take place and reports from all the present standing committees and conveners will be heard. Every member and all friends of the Institute are requested to be present.

Miss May Thompson of James Island, is the guest of Mrs. George Newbury and Ruth Pearce, Dunford Avenue.

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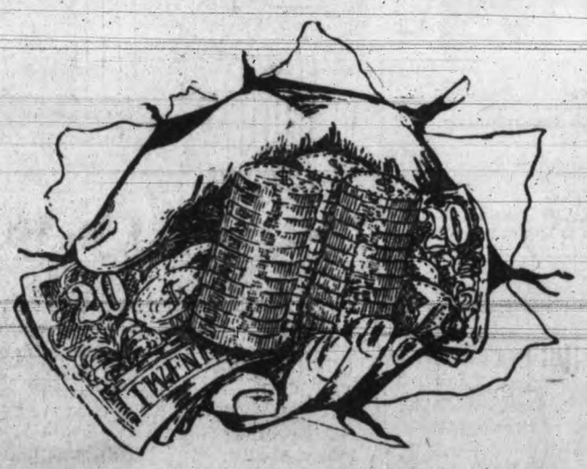

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